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Elections Decide VPA and Treasurer *President, VPIR, and Secretary to Be Decided in Run Off*

by **Mark Binker**
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Last week's Student Council election only yielded two winners, both of who were running uncontested in their races. While the Secretary and Vice President for Institutional Relations

(VPIR) races only featured two candidates each, various write in candidates prevented those on the ballots from getting a clear majority.

Protest

Board of Elections Chair Jeremy Hancock

received one protest, from current Vice President for Administration Chris Drennen. The letter took issue with the fact that instead of being listed alphabetically on the ballot, they were listed by class rank and/or council seniority, perhaps giving certain candidates and advantage.

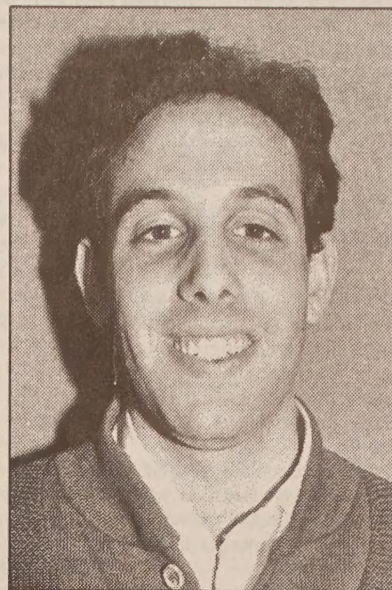
Hancock was not concerned about the protest, and dismissed it by saying "point I there is nothing in our constitution which [specifies the order candidates are to be listed in]...I don't think it has a major effect."

New Levering Polling Station

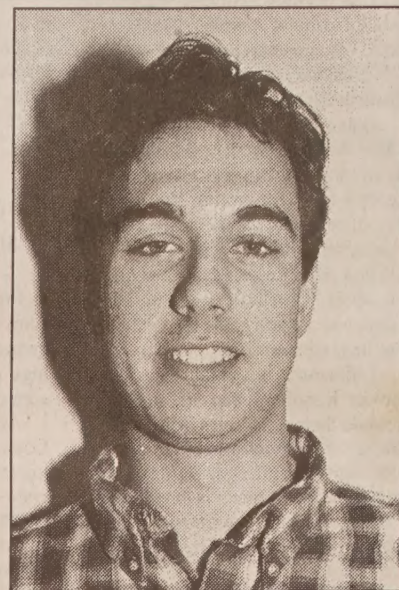
This was the first election in which a polling station was located at Levering Hall. Eighty-five total ballots were cast at the Levering Polling station.

Elections Chair Hancock said that he decided to try the idea on a test basis when he heard concerns that upperclassmen might not have ample opportunity to vote, and were not involved enough in the elections process. Because there was a fair turnout at this station, Hancock plans to continue to maintain this polling station for the duration of council elections this year, assuming he has enough staff to do so.

Levering joins the MSE Library/Ames-Krieger Breezeway location as a second predominately upperclassman polling station. Traditionally freshman and sophomore dominated AMR II and Wolman polling stations were also maintained. Even with the extra location, 558 votes were cast at the traditionally underclass stations, while 276 votes were cast at the two others.



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Peter Dolkart



Tamara Zuromskis/The Johns Hopkins News-Letter
James Eldridge

President's Race

The election narrowed the field of presidential candidates from five to two. James Eldridge and Peter Dolkart will advance to a run off election. Both candidates garnered nearly 30 percent of the vote, leaving the rest of the field to split the other 40 percent.

Blake Carlson was close to the two top runners taking 25 percent of the vote, and made his strongest showing at the Wolman and AMR II polling stations, indicating that many freshman and sophomores supported him.

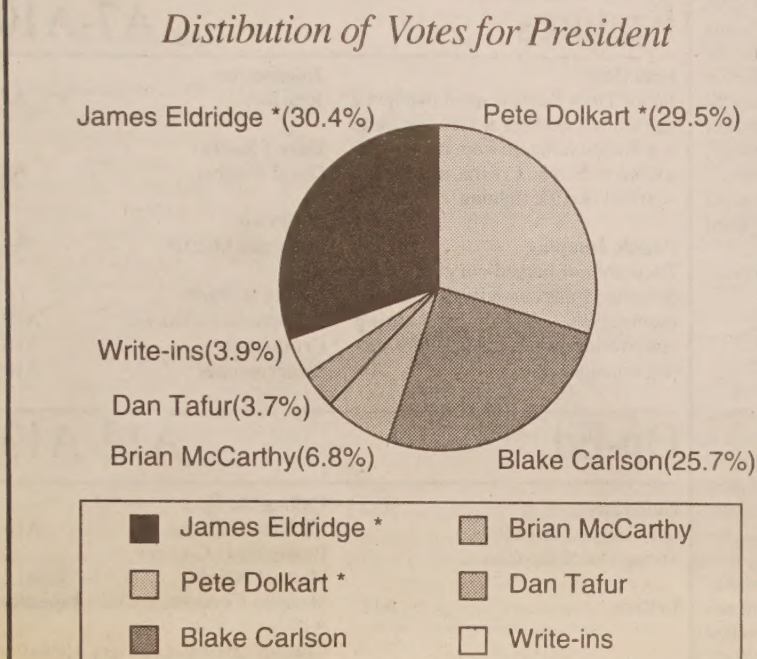
Brian McCarthy and Dan Tafur garnered only 6.8 percent and 3.7 percent of the votes respectively. McCarthy was expected to do better, especially among the upperclassmen who recognize his name from other efforts... Council watchers say that McCarthy did not

campaign hard enough to capture the votes that he would have needed to make a stronger showing.

Tafur trailed all other candidates, capturing only 29 of the 790 votes casts for President. Various write-in candidates receive 31 votes, but no one candidate not on the ticket made a significant showing.

Dolkart and Eldridge will be scrambling for the support that was given to the other candidates, especially the 25 percent of the vote taken by Carlson. Dolkart showed stronger at the AMR I and Wolman polling stations than Eldridge, and may have the better chance of capturing Carlson's freshman and sophomore support.

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'Mr. John' Leaves the Shuttle Service

John Schwabland Is First JHU Driver to Leave Under Three-Accident Policy

by **Kenneth Aaron**
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Long-time Hopkins Security Escort Shuttle driver John Schwabland resigned last week after being involved in his third accident in two and a half years, Hopkins Security sources said.

The Accident

The accident, which occurred on the evening of Sunday, February 20 in the driveway between Homewood Garage and Wolman Hall, severely dented the rear bumper of the shuttle. Hopkins Security Officer Patrick Bearry stated that there were no passengers on board at the time and no injuries were reported.

According to the Security Office, Mr. Schwabland backed the van into a steel post on top of a small wall. "[The bumper] was V'd pretty badly," Bearry said. "He had to hit it kind of hard." No damage estimate was available.

Ironically, Schwabland had pulled the van into the driveway in order to keep it out of traffic. "I parked it any time I didn't have a call," Schwabland said in a telephone interview on Wednesday. "I tried to cut down the risk of an accident."

Bearry stated that department policy is to dismiss drivers once they have amassed three traffic accidents in a three-year period. "The policy is based on an average of one accident a

year" for three years, Bearry said. "Mr. John had three in two or two and a half years."

"We've got nothing against John," Bearry continued. "He's been great for the Service, and has been a hell of a driver." Safety considerations, he said, led the Department to approach Schwabland about resigning his position. "He came to be a liability... we were concerned about the safety of the students," stated Bearry.

A shuttle driver for the past seven years, Schwabland had served in that capacity since the service started. Bearry cited Schwabland's dedication to his job, recalling how he would often come in on his days off to ensure that enough drivers were on duty. Schwabland himself recalled, "I can count on one hand how many times I called in sick in the last seven years."

Community Concern

Though there was some concern in the community that Schwabland may have been treated abruptly by the department, Bearry said that his exit was simply a matter of policy. "If it were anybody else, it wouldn't have been handled any other way."

Bearry said that the policy has only recently been strictly enforced. "It was more or less lax before," he said. Now, the "policies regarding termination are clear," Bearry affirmed.

He went on to say that Schwabland's resig-

nation was the first in conjunction with this policy. No other drivers have been terminated or resigned as a result of the three-accident rule.

Bearry suggested that Schwabland probably realized that his latest accident would jeopardize his employment.

Schwabland, though, said that he was not aware of how many accidents were on his record. "I wasn't aware... I didn't know the count," he stated. He dismissed his incidents as minor, though. "If a car's right behind you, you can't see it" in the rear-view mirror, Schwabland said.

Fired or Retired?

After his last accident, department sources confirmed that Schwabland was offered the opportunity to resign rather than be fired, in deference to his dutiful service. Schwabland, they said, consented to this.

Schwabland's recollection of the incident differed from Hopkins Security's version. According to him, he was told last Friday that his services would not be needed after Sunday. "Fred [Bindeman, Hopkins Security Lieutenant] was hesitating to tell me," Schwabland said. He did say, however, that he bears no grudge towards the Office. "I was fired, and I accept it," he said.

The Security Office denies this account. "This may sound funny," Schwabland said, "but I feel they done me a favor. I'm 76 years old, and there's no way for me to be out there in that traffic."

"I was there nine years. I had my good nights, and my buds. I still say they done me a favor."



Alex Berg/The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Ivana Svarc, pianist and winner of the Yale Gordon Concerto Competition at the Peabody Institute, plays in Shriver Hall. Her concert was part of the Wednesday at Noon series which is sponsored by the Office of Special Events.

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Writing Seminars' Stone to Leave Hopkins

'Outerbridge Reach' Author to go to Yale After a Year of Teaching at Hopkins

by **Mark Binker**
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

After this semester, Writing Seminars professor Robert Stone will be leaving Hopkins. Stone will have taught both graduates and undergraduates at Hopkins for about a year. After leaving Hopkins, Stone will teach at Yale where he has accepted a post in their creative writing department.

Stone gave the following statement through a spokesman. "I really did enjoy teaching at Hopkins, I don't feel by any

means 'trading up' in going to Yale. My reason for leaving is just to be able to do something closer to home - its as simple as that." Stone expressed no dissatisfaction with Hopkins.

While Stone has lived and taught in many places, he maintains a home in Westport, Connecticut.

Among the schools at which Stone has taught are Amherst, University of Hawaii, Princeton, University of California, and most recently Hopkins.

Stone has authored six books thus far, in-

cluding "Dog Soldiers" which won the National Book Award in 1975 and his latest effort "Outerbridge Reach" was published in 1992. His has also authored or contributed to over 70 journal articles. As well, he has contributed to many other books and had his work translated into French, German, and many other languages.

Robert Stone is working on his next novel, which will be set in Jerusalem. His teaching engagement at Yale will begin in the fall semester.

Hopkins Briefs

Hopkins Economist Named Financial Advisor for Lithuanian Government

Steve Hanke, professor of applied economics at The Johns Hopkins University, has been appointed state counselor on monetary and financial issues of the Republic of Lithuania. The announcement was made recently from the Lithuanian capital of Vilnius and formalizes his role as an economic advisor to that country's government.

This position is directly below the post of cabinet member. Hanke will hold this position until January 26, 1997. Hanke will continue to teach and do research at the Homewood campus.

Hanke job responsibilities will include drafting proposed legislation for a currency board to replace the country's central bank, reforming the banking system and privatizing state-owned businesses.

In a press release, Hanke is quoted as saying "I am basically starting from scratch to create a game plan to liberalize their economy."

Lithuania is one of the many former Soviet Republics that are seeking to rebuild their economies in the wake of the fall of communism and the systematic dismantling of the Soviet Union. Dr. Hanke believes that it is the interest of the United State's own security to help nations such as Lithuania stabilize their economies.

"U.S. aid to Russia, particularly, is never going to amount to anything substantial if the currency is unstable. And these conditions leave the door open for all kinds of geopolitical problems. For example, few people realize that Belarus has quietly returned to the Russian economic, political, and military sphere of influence, in large part because they could not control their wildly fluctuating currency," said Hanke in that same press release.

-Don DeFillio

McCormick Named Director of Hopkins' Part-Time Engineering Program

Michael E. McCormick has been appointed Director of Hopkins' Part-Time Programs in Engineering and Applied Science. These programs include three undergraduate areas as well as 11 graduate programs.

Dr. McCormick comes to Hopkins after teaching full time at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis. There he was a professor and director of the ocean engineering program.

McCormick has worked with Hopkins before. In 1986 he joined Hopkins as a research professor in the School of Engineering's Department of Civil Engineering and has been an instructor in the part-time civil engineering program. McCormick was instrumental in the program's ocean engineering option.

Ross Corotis, Associate Dean of Engineering at Johns Hopkins said via press release that "Mike [McCormick] is a distinguished educator, researcher and engineer who brings exciting ideas

to these programs and will further strengthen our commitment to serve the region's engineering community."

McCormick has won numerous awards, including a 1987 Meritorious Civilian Service Award from the Department of the Navy and a Naval Academy Alumni Research Excellence Award. Currently he is serving as co-editor of *Ocean Engineering* and the Wiley Alternate Energy Book Series. As well, McCormick is a fellow of the Marine Technology Society and the American Society of Civil Engineers.

The Part Time Engineering Program has a student body of 2,500 students spread of Homewood, Applied Physics Laboratory, and two other campuses. This makes it the largest program of its kind in the country.

-Sue DeFillio

Clinton Pitches Lifelong Learning To Students

President Clinton promoted his administration's new seven-point program to foster lifelong learning in meetings with both college students and administrators Feb. 22.

Appearing before the American Council on Education's annual meeting in Washington, D.C., the President cited access to higher education, national service, and a better transition from school to the workplace as part of this agenda.

"The shape of American higher education is changing," Clinton said. "If we want America to grow jobs and increase earnings, we will have to dramatically increase our commitment to education."

The President said his newly proposed fiscal 1995 budget would increase by 23 percent funding for lifelong learning programs in education, job training and human services. That plan includes funds for partnerships among high schools, colleges and the private sector plus initiatives to change the nation's unemployment system to a result-oriented "re-employment" system.

Prior to the speech, Clinton got some first-hand experience on these topics in a morning jog with 12 students from Northern Virginia Community College in Annandale, Va. The students ranged in age from 19 to 32 and illustrated the changes taking place in American higher education.

"The average age of college students will continue to go up," the President said, a trend that will require colleges — and government — to prepare for change.

During his address to ACE, the President also touched on other education topics, including his proposed fiscal 1995 budget for student financial aid. Many advocates have criticized the small increases planned for financial aid, but the President said his administration's actions have strengthened the student aid system.

"The Pell Grant program was \$2 billion in arrears (in 1993). It was one of those pleasant things you don't know about until they put it on your desk," Clinton said. Most of this shortfall de-

veloped during former President Bush's tenure.

Yet under the Clinton economic program, the government will pay all the shortfall by next year and still have enough funds to recommend a \$100 increase in the maximum Pell Grant for fiscal year 1995. The average Pell Grant would increase as well, he said.

The President also praised the government's new experiment with direct loans, in which capital flows to students without requiring paperwork or input from banks. One major improvement in this new system is that students can repay their loans based on after-college income, thereby allowing them to work at lower paying service jobs without fear of default, the president said.

In addition, Clinton praised his administration's efforts to promote minority access in higher education, citing a recent announcement from his Education Department that approved race-based scholarships for needy minority students.

"We have lifted the cloud on minority scholarships," the President declared.

Following the speech, Clinton also signed an executive order to promote education excellence for Hispanics. Many college presidents attended that White House ceremony.

-College Press Service

Florida State University Campers Attacked

Two drifters have been charged with murder, kidnapping, and rape in a Feb. 18 attack on an 18-year-old Florida State University student and his sister as they camped in a secluded area of the Ocala National Forest.

John Edwards, 18, an honor student in chemical engineering and member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity at FSU, was beaten to death and his 21-year-old sister, a student at Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, was raped twice and left tied between two trees, police said.

The woman, who was not identified because of the sexual attack, ran for help Feb. 19 after she wriggled free of the ropes. Her brother apparently had died of his injuries at some time during the night.

Police said Loran Cole, 27, of Orlando, and William Paul, 20, of Knoxville, Tenn., met while camping in the national park. Cole was freed early last June from a state prison because of overcrowding. He has been convicted on six felony charges stemming from burglary and thefts in the past seven years. Paul had no criminal record, although his parents told reporters that he drained their bank account of \$3,000 before he left home.

Authorities said the siblings met the men at the campground on Feb. 18. All four went hiking to take photographs of alligators. On the way, the assailants began beating Edwards. The sister fled, but the two men caught her, handcuffed her and took her back to a tent where she was assaulted. The assailants then fled in Edwards' car.

-College Press Service

Artist Use the Beeps and Buzz of Fax Machines to 'Talk' With Patrons

Generally the only talk in museums is the low murmur of patrons' voices, but at the University of Dayton's Rike Center Art Gallery, other sounds of communication reign — such as the beeps and buzz of a facsimile machine.

Designer and photographer Crit Warren, who lives in Columbus and whose works are on display at the museum, uses the machine to receive and answer the questions and comments from gallery-goers.

"The fax is a telepresence," Warren said. "It's a way for me to be there, even when I'm here (in Columbus). I stop whatever I'm doing and make an immediate response. ... They can get my response while they're still at the show. It's a way of making a connection."

The exhibit itself is unusual, featuring the work of Warren and Catherine Schmeltz, who are partners in a firm that specializes in graphic illustrations and publications for major corporate clients.

Every three or four days, Warren faxes the gallery parts of an ongoing project, which are tacked up on the wall. The show includes examples of preliminary work, press sheets and final products to give viewers a sense of the effort required to produce artistic, yet functional commercial graphics.

Warren said he has received about 15 faxes a week since the show opened on Feb. 7.

-College Press Service

Naked Man at University Does Not Get Laughs From Professors

Twenty years ago, students and professors erupted in laughter when streakers dashed in and out of classrooms.

Times have changed.

Several faculty members from the College of Journalism and Communication expressed outrage after a naked man burst into an advertising classroom, loudly identified himself as "Batman" and beat a hasty retreat, the *Independent Florida Alligator* reported.

Professor Sallie Middlebrook, who was teaching the class, said she didn't appreciate the interruption.

"He spread his arms and legs and said, 'Batman,'" Middlebrook said. "I was standing there in awe."

Middlebrook said she locked the door after the slender male with light-brown hair left the room. "I can see the humor (in the situation)," she said, "but to me it's not funny."

Streaking is not as innocent an activity as it once was. "You don't know what motivates that," she said. "Times have changed so much."

Meanwhile, Journalism Dean Ralph Lowenstein said he found the incident "absolutely disgusting."

"I believe if the person can be found he ought to be prosecuted," he said.

-College Press Service

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This week Johns Hopkins celebrated its third annual Asian Festival Week, presented by the Inter-Asian Council, Hopkins' chief Asian-American coordinating group. A3

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Errata

The following errors appeared in the April 30, 1993 issue of the Johns Hopkins News-Letter:

- On Page A1 the "continued on..." should have read: "Continued on Page A5."
- On Page A1 the photo caption and in the Young Trustee article Dominic Wiker's name was spelled incorrectly.
- On page A3 the photo caption for Asma should have read "Asma Poonawala will run unopposed for..."
- In the staff box on page A12, in the Writing Staff box, Jennifer Consilvio's name was spelled incorrectly.
- On page B1, the basketball photo caption incorrectly said that the Hopkins player in the photo was Luke Busby.
- On page B3 the end of the review of the Toronto Blue Jays was omitted.
- In the Lacrosse Preview, in the men's headshots, Billy Evans was number 28.

The News-Letter regrets these errors.

Community Crime Report

Reported by the Homewood Security Office

February 28, 1994

° 2:00-9:45 a.m. 3000 Blk. Mathews St. Known suspect removed \$160 from victim's bedroom while he was visiting. 7:55-8:00 a.m. 700 Blk. McKewin Ave. Unknown suspect in unknown manner stole victim's 80 Toyota, MD license plate AZR921. Vehicle had no anti-theft device.

° 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 2600 Blk. Barclays St. Known suspect arrested after she attempted to cash a check. Check found to be stolen from victim's checkbook, loss unknown.

° 3:00 p.m.-1:25 p.m. 3100 Guilford Ave. Unknown suspect in unknown manner forced lock from garage door; suspect entered and removed 2 bicycles. Loss of \$500.

° 3:30-4:15 p.m. 400 Blk. E. 30th St. Unknown suspect in unknown manner broke window of victim's 86 Toyota, entered and removed 2 tool boxes with assorted tools. Loss of \$1900.

° 5:15-5:30 p.m. 2800 Greenmount Ave. Unknown suspect in attempt to steal victim's 85 Mercedes forced unknown object into ignition switch.

° 10:35-10:43 p.m. 2700 Blk. Huntington Ave. 2 suspects approached comp. while he was standing on Huntington Ave. One pulled out an unknown object and began beating comp. about the face. Suspects fled scene. Comp received a broken nose and cuts, taken to Union Memorial.

12:00 a.m. 600 Blk. Venable Ave. Unknown person(s) forced window down on victim's 89 Acura and attempted to pop ignition, then removed 1 radar detector and 1 club anti-theft device from same. Total \$40.

March 1, 1994

° 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. 500 Blk. E. 33rd

St. Unknown suspect in unknown manner removed victim's unsecured bicycle which was left unattended on rear parking lot, loss of \$278.

° 1:00-2:20 p.m. 3500 Blk. Greenway Ave. Unknown suspect broke window of victim's 90 Dodge, MD license plate 391045M with a rock, suspect entered and removed purse and medical bag with equipment. Loss of \$210.

° 4:00-8:00 p.m. 2500 Blk. Maryland Ave. Unknown suspect (s) took 93 Honda Accord MD tag SEW 026 which was parked in the street. No anti-theft device used.

° 6:00 p.m. 2800 Blk. Greenmount Ave. Security officer for location witnessed suspect take property and conceal same. Stopped and held for police.

° 6:00-8:00 p.m. 2500 Blk. N. Howard St. Unknown suspect(s) stole victim's VW, MD tag AWT223 from the street. No anti-theft device used.

° 6:15-10:00 p.m. 700 Blk. McKewin Ave. Unknown suspect(s) broke front door, entered dwelling and took property valued at \$278. No witnesses.

March 2, 1994

° 3:00-7:00 a.m. 500 Blk. E. 33rd St. Comp. states that an unknown suspect gained entry through roof of business and removed a quantity of hand tools. Unknown value.

° 3:30 a.m. 3700 Blk. Greenmount Ave. Unknown person broke victim's window, entered building and took 50 packs of cigarettes. Value \$95.

° 9:30 a.m. 700 Blk. Melville Ave. Comp. states that she left her car running, an 86 Pontiac MD tag ARM 623, and upon returning to same found it missing.

° 12:00 p.m.-8:30 a.m. 600 Venable Ave. Comp. states that suspect entered dwelling and through side window and removed \$400 in electrical equipment and \$10 in coins.

° 12:55 p.m. 3600 Blk. St. Paul St. While attempting to stop suspicious vehicle, officer sustained minor injuries from driver attempting to run him down. Driver arrested in stolen auto.

° 5:50 p.m. 3100 Blk. Greenmount Ave. Victim positively identified suspects who acted as if armed, taking comp.'s pager and TV universal remote controller.

° 6:00 p.m.-9:00 a.m. 2900 Huntington Ave. Comp. states that an unknown suspect took his 85 Ford truck, MD tag 51A543. No anti-theft device.

° 7:00 p.m.-11:00 a.m. 500 Blk. E. 33rd St. Unknown suspect in unknown manner broke window of victim's 88 Dodge, MD license 205296M, entered and removed assorted tools, loss of \$1800.

° 10:00 p.m.-6:15 a.m. 300 Blk. E. University Comp. states that an unknown suspect attempted to take his 93 Honda. No anti-theft device used.

March 3, 1994

° 7:20 a.m. 700 Blk. Chestnut Hill Unknown person(s) took victim's 86 Toyota Camry, 4S, Blue in color, MD tag NBX255 when victim left car unattended with engine running.

° 9:15 a.m. 3400 Blk. N. Charles St. Unknown person(s) removed \$200 US currency from cash box in campus office.

° 9:17 a.m. 300 Blk. E. 33rd St. Unknown person(s) forced coin phone box open and took same containing unknown amount of US coin. Total unknown.

° 2:20-2:35 p.m. 3100 Wyman Pk. Dr. 2 unknown suspects removed \$56 from cash drawer which was left unattended while victim stepped away.

° 3:15-3:45 p.m. Unknown persons entered dwelling and removed one lady's gold locket necklace inscribed JR MISS 1990.

° 10:10 p.m. 3200 Blk. Greenmount Ave.

Victim noticed a suspicious man at the bar by the phone. He then left, and the phone was missing. AT&T cordless phone, value \$150.

March 4, 1994

° 12:10 a.m. 700 Blk. W. 40th St. Known suspect arrested for taking 4 bottles Keri skin lotion and 2 4 oz. Oil of Olay bottles valued at \$31.74.

° 8:45 a.m. 2900 Blk. N. Charles St. Unknown person(s) took victim's 87 Buik Skylark, rosewood in color, PA license PJF094 by unknown means.

° 10:00-11:15 a.m. 3600 Blk. St Paul St. Unknown suspect in unknown manner forced way into dwelling, suspect and then removed assorted jewelry, loss of unknown value.

° 5:15 p.m. 2800 Blk. Greenmount Ave. Unknown suspects 13-14 years old stated to comp. "Give me your coat." Victim complied. Taken: one vest coat, gray with red checks.

° 11:00 p.m. 2800 Blk. N. Calvert St. Suspects approached the victim and asked for money. The victim refused and fled in his vehicle.

March 5, 1994

° 2:45 a.m. 280

Asian Awareness Week Comes to Homewood

Events Expose Hopkins Students to Asian Dance, Food, and Thought

by Jonathan Maccabee
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

This week Johns Hopkins celebrated its third annual Asian Festival Week. The festival week, formerly known as Asian Awareness Week, was presented by the Inter-Asian Council, Hopkins' chief Asian-American coordinating group, made up of representatives of the ten different Asian student groups on campus. Asians make up 28% of all students at Hopkins and depending on what multiracial or Middle Eastern students consider themselves Asian, anywhere from 18% to 30% of undergraduates. Though the national Asian Awareness Month is in May, the exam schedule made that an impossibility here, the IAC did not wish to have to compete with homecoming or Spring Fair in April; last year, when it was scheduled in January, the IAC found its events scheduled at the same time as B-GALA's awareness week, and so the two organizations scheduled events this year to avoid a repeat.

Festivities Begin

Though the festival officially started on Monday, related events had been underway over the weekend. The Taiwanese-American Students Association's "Asian Film Fest", with films such as "I'm On A Mission From Buddha". Hopkins sophomore Raul Jocson's play "Jerry's Note," about a musically gifted urban Filipino-American youth, was performed on Sunday and Monday night. The official festival began on Monday with lectures on "Changing Traditions and Cultural Compromise: A Glimpse into Asia and the Pacific Rim" by Dr. Ann Christine Frankowski and on "Chinese Women in Fiction and Society" by Dr. Sarah-Ann Smith. On Monday evening, Sandra Lee, British Embassy and Hong Kong Economic Trade Office Counsellor, spoke on the issues facing Hong Kong as the United Kingdom prepares to hand it and its people over to Communist China in 1997.

Counsellor Lee, who has become a widely heard spokeswoman for the British Government point of view, was introduced by JHU President William Richardson. A significant number of Hopkins students hail from or emigrated from Hong Kong, and this was of particular interest to them. On Tuesday, Dr. Robert Ginsberg of Penn State-Delaware County lectured on "Spirituality and Aesthetics of

Zen Buddhism," and Hopkins' own Dr. Bruce Robertson spoke that afternoon on "Political Action in Modern India," where he grew up, specifically on tensions between Hindus and other religious groups, particularly Muslims, that have taken many lives. The destruction of a mosque at a site sacred to both the Hindu and Muslim religions - analogous to the recent massacre at the Tomb of the Patriarchs shared in reverence by both Jews and Muslims in Hebron - set off rioting. While Hindu militant parties and organizations have grown greatly in recent years, massacres and communal violence, including tensions between upper- and lower-caste Hindus (and a recent spate of lynchings of the latter by the former), as well as violence between the Hindu community and the Muslim and Sikh communities, have become a relatively common occurrence.

That evening, Dr. Herbert Yee, Vice-President of the National College of Dentists and member of the Board of Regents of the University of the Pacific and former "National Dentist of the Year," addressed a crowd in Levering's "Great Hall". Dr. Yee, whose Yee Foundation assisted the Asian Festival, spoke on the importance of Asian-Americans in medicine and dentistry, supporting the inclusion of dental services in President Clinton's national health care plan and suggesting the possible foundation of a Johns Hopkins School of Dentistry.

The Week Continues

Wednesday afternoon, Dr. Thomas Ulmet of Duke University's Talent Identification Program spoke on Asian-Americans in American higher education and the myth of the "model minority." That afternoon Dr. Sue Whei Shieh, director of the Asian Arts Center at Towson State, spoke on Asian art and the job of an art curator in general, while Dr. Hiram Woodard, Director of the Walters Art Gallery's Hackerman House of Asian Art, presented slides

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-SUSAN WANG, HOPKINS OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS

and discussed Asian art preservation and history. That night the Korean Students Association sponsored "Sa-I-Gu" ("April 29" in Korean), a dramatic documentary film describing the April 29, 1992 Los Angeles riots through the eyes of immigrant women in the devastated Koreatown neighborhoods. On Thursday, Indian Embassy Political and Cultural Counsellor Malay Mishra introduced a performance of classical Indian dance by Jayantee Paine, and musician Yi-Ping Huang performed two types of Chinese traditional music. That evening several IAC student groups gave Asian cooking lessons in the AMR I Common Kitchen, and Chinese-American standup comedian Phil Nee, 1985 winner of Showtime cable network's "Funniest Person in America" contest, performed in the Glass Pavilion.

Friday's Events

Friday's schedule includes an Asian market and bazaar, jazz pianist Kuni Mikami, and two films in the AMR I TV Room, the Chinese film "Raise the Red Lantern" at 9 p.m. and the 1993 Academy Award Winner for Best Foreign Film, "Indochine," a French film based on the author Marguerite Duras' novel about Vietnam under French colonization, about a Frenchwoman whose lover becomes enamored with her Vietnamese adopted child. Though the plot may be reminiscent of Woody and Soon-Yi, actress Catherine Deneuve was nominated for the Academy Award for Best Supporting Actress.

From 3 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, JSI will present three "anime" films in its "Showcase of Japanese Animation": an episode of the detective comedy "City Hunter", the futuristic thriller "Pat Labor" and "the most serious anime to date," "Grave of Fireflies", about two orphan children surviving in devastated postwar Japan. That night the Chinese film "The Wedding Banquet" is scheduled, as is an intercollegiate dance. Several events unfortunately had to be canceled at the last minute. The Japanese-American Democratic Congressman Robert T. Matsui of Sacramento, who was scheduled to speak on Wednesday night on the North American Free Trade Agreement (of which he was a chief supporter), had to cancel his speech the previous Thursday due to eleventh-hour commitments in California.

Japanese Students International's

Thursday night "anime" animated film had to be canceled, as was South Asian Students at Hopkins' "Holi: A Festival Of Colors." The festival, and committee chair Maki Shieh, raised money from the Office of Multicultural Affairs, the JHU Alumni Association, the Office of the Dean of Students, the Office of the President, and the Student Activities Council. It also worked with the Hopkins Organization for Programming, which helped support Raul Jocson's play "Jerry's Note" and jazz pianist Kuni Mikami. The IAC had also hoped to hear best-selling Chinese-American author Amy Tan, author of The Joy Luck Club but that fell through when she demanded a \$20,000 speaking fee. The IAC also raised money through sales of T-Shirts with the festival logo, a blue peacock and red stylized dragon, for \$10 apiece.

The Organizers

Unlike last year, when Korean-Americans in support of the ethnic Korean community in Japan organized and the Director of Philadelphia's Asian Community Services spoke on campus, this year there was little to no political response on campus to the Festival or through the year regarding Asian issues; this stance of concentrating on cultural affairs has drawn extremely strong criticism from some writers in the IAC Newsletter, most notably with an article entitled "South Asian Scammers at Hopkins?". The week's name was changed from "Asian Awareness Week" to "Asian Festival Week 1994", to some degree emphasizing the cultural nature of the scheduled events. However, IAC chair and JSI head Natasha K. Yamaoka stressed several concerns of the Asian community that she wished to be made known here at Hopkins. "My main concern is that there are not that many Asian classes here... [which is] important not only for Asian students but also... for Hopkins [with its huge Asian-American population] not to have classes of Asian background... [or] not as many as other things... [doesn't make any sense]." She also stressed the idea that not only Asian students but everyone at Hopkins should become "more of an open community of groups... which is something really needed right now."

Administrative Support

Susan Wang of the Office of Multicultural Affairs, who along with



File Photo

Dr. Janet Moore is the Director of the Office of Student Multicultural Affairs. Her office and other university offices supported students in organizing Asian Awareness Week.

Rose Gaskins coordinated the Asian Festival with the IAC and its committee chair Maki Shieh, also put first on her list her feeling that there were "not enough Asian courses," and that though there were "several language courses... Asian studies [were] very limited," but that her office was "working with the administration to expand Asian studies". She also commented, "I also believe all Hopkins students are in need of having a better sense of community - that is, a place to go other than the HUT - there's no real student union."

When asked what she felt were the major issues facing the Asian-American community in Baltimore, she stressed "better community relations and education of our culture and other cultures - and I think that's what this office is charged with, educating people." Since her position became full-time in January, Ms. Wang has served on a panel at Loyola on "Asian-American Professionals" and been asked to address the Board of Governors at Dundalk Community College, as well as other community outreach activities. As Office Director Dr. Janet Moore described it, "We offer advising other than therapeutic or academic and [act as an] advocate for students when necessary... if students have a particular problem, we send them to the right office".

Dr. Moore stressed not lumping together Asian-Americans: "I think that

students don't necessarily want to be grouped as Asian students... [but prefer to be known as members of] separate groups." When the low number of Asian faculty compared to the Asian percentage of the student body, particularly in the humanities, was brought up, Ms. Wang responded, "Personally, I'd like to see more Asian staff to be role models for the students, but we're headed in the right direction, and I believe that the administration, especially Larry Benedict, has been very helpful in that area."

Overall, students seemed to appreciate the events, though hamstrung in their involvement by the Hopkins workload. One Chinese immigrant freshman commented "I think it's good," but when asked if he had attended any of the events, he responded, "No, I didn't have any time," a common sentiment here. Some also were disappointed at the cultural emphasis of most events, as opposed to more religious or political involvement, but Congressman Matsui's cancellation had much to do with the lack of such emphasis. However, those who attended seemed more pleased with what they saw. Overall, this festival provided Hopkins students an opportunity to learn more about their own or other ethnic groups and cultures, and hopefully to create, in the words of Susan Wang, "a better sense of community."

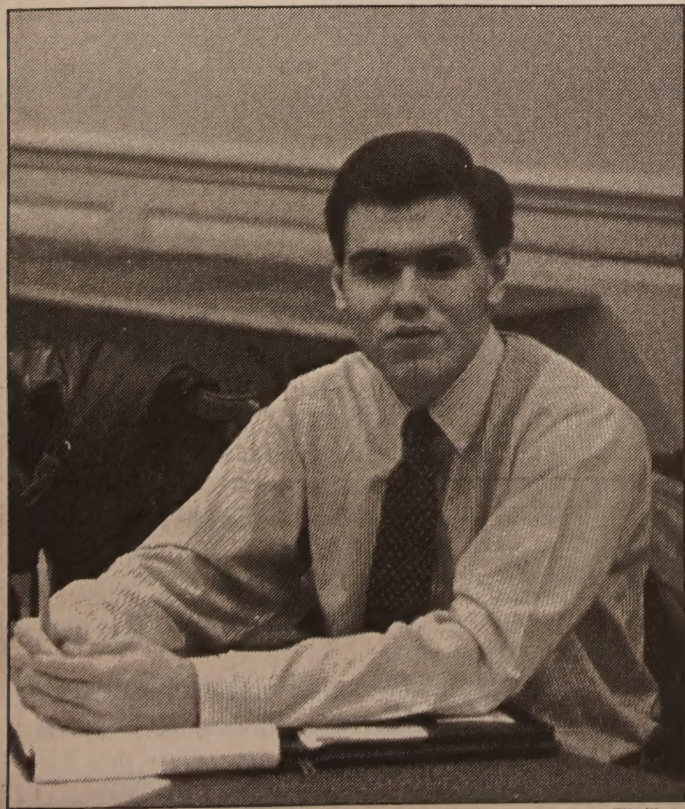
Faculty to be Honored by Students

Week Offers Students a Chance to Interact with Homewood Faculty

by John Upton

Next week, starting on Monday March 15, and continuing until Thursday, March 17, many members on the entire Hopkins Community will be taking part in what has become known as

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File Photo

Chris Drennon headed the Faculty Appreciation Week effort.

"Faculty Appreciation Week" Chris Drennon, Student Council Vice President of Administration, is in charge of the week and was able to speak with the News-Letter regarding the importance of the week, as well as the events planned for it.

Drennon stated that this will be the fourth year that the week of recognition has been included in the Hopkins calendar of events.

Drennon gave a short description of each of the events that are to take place next week and how each of them is to proceed.

On Monday, March 14, there will a University-wide reception held in the Glass Pavilion from 5-7 p.m. All the faculty from both the School of Arts

On Tuesday, the 15th of March, there will be what Drennon called "Roundtable Discussions." This is an event that has been planned so that students can have a chance to meet some of the distinguished members of the Hopkins faculty.

and Sciences and the School of Engineering have been invited as well as the entire student body. Drennon also added that the event will be catered so there will be food and drink for all who attend.

According to Drennon, there will also be a performance by the All-Nighters at about 5:30 p.m. Drennon said that he is hoping that the reception will be a time for light conversation amongst the students and faculty.

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This is an event that, according to Drennon, has been planned so that students can have a chance to meet some of the distinguished members of the Hopkins faculty. Drennon stated that there is going to be a very informal environment with coffee and desserts available.

Drennon stated that this is a time when "communication really gets going... it's a time when Political Science majors can talk to Biology professors!" He reported that last year 60-70 students attended the roundtable and that conversation went on for hours after the conclusion of the event. The roundtable discussion will also be inter-departmental.



File Photo

Participants at last year's faculty appreciation week round table event.

The final two events planned for the appreciation week are a faculty/student lunch and dinner. They are set to take place on Thursday, March 17. The lunch is going to be held in Lever-

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ing Market. Drennon stated that in order to have lunch with a professor, a student only has to fill out a slip available at Levering Market, and drop it in the box. Slips will be drawn randomly from the box and approximately 12 faculty members will be chosen to have lunch with students.

The same process applies to the dinner set to take place that same day. The dinner, however, will be occurring simultaneously at both Wolman Station and Terrace Court Cafe. Once again, according to Drennon, 12 faculty members will be chosen from each box set up at both cafeterias.

When asked why the time of appreciation takes place every year, Drennon replied, "Faculty-student interaction is important, especially at an undergraduate level and this is a time when students can come out and meet faculty. It makes

the Hopkins community a little more friendly. Communication between the two groups (students and faculty) is also important."

Drennon was also asked how the faculty usually respond to this type of event. He stated that most of them seem to appreciate it and the opportunity to speak with students.

When asked about the possible student response to the event, Drennon reported that this year he is expecting a fairly large turn-out. Drennon said, "we are expanding and extending... we are trying to incorporate more faculty."

He continued by saying that "many students want to talk (to faculty)" He also said, "We are offering students the opportunity (to talk to faculty) and if they want, they will take it!"

The "Faculty Appreciation Week" is being sponsored by a number of groups and offices. They include: Student Council, Dean of Arts and Sciences, Dean of Engineering, Dean of Homewood Services, Dean of Students, Provost, and the Alumni Association.

Student Government Watch

Student Council Reforms SEALs Committee

by **Loryn Keating-Just**
The Johns Hopkins University

The Student Council meeting on Wednesday, March 9, opened with a moment of silence for Amy Amorello. Student Council has donated money to the Amy Amorello Scholarship Fund at the Sacred Heart School.

Committee Reports

The Committee on Committees is accepting Curriculum Committee applications.

The Student Activities Commission gave the Pre-Law Society \$108.43 for supplies for their mock trial at the Nationals, the Women's Rugby team \$275 for insurance, \$530 to WHSR for purchasing a computer, \$250 to OHM for their yoga classes, and \$160 to the Hopkins Art Association for a trip to the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

The Education Committee discussed the Student Advisory Council, which

is the only student represented body that participates in the government of the state of Maryland. The Council is discussing having common course numbering for colleges in Maryland. This would entail making all the credits at all the colleges equal. There will be a meeting on Saturday, April 9 at Hagerstown Community College at twelve noon. They will discuss the transferring of credits from one school to another.

The Health Services Committee stated that free anonymous HIV - testing will be available beginning Monday, March 14. The Committee will be meeting with Dean Benedict next week to talk about placing condom vending machines in the dorms. The hours of the First Aid Squad as compared to the hours of the Health Clinic and the quality of the services at the Health Clinic were also discussed.

The Committee on Security and Facilities is attempting to make the mail service at Hopkins faster.

The Support Services Committee is interviewing people to run the Used Book Sale. The Committee will try to run a shuttle to Towson Town Center every weekend. There will be a shuttle to BWI for spring break.

The Alumni Relations Committee announced that a successful careers symposium ended on Tuesday, March 8. An attempt will be made to implement a system to let students talk to alumni to learn more about the alumni's jobs.

The Class of 1995 announced that the PJ's night was successful. There will be a condoms and bagels study break in the Garrett Room from 9:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 15. Jonny Tsai was selected as the new class secretary.

The sophomore and junior classes will be sponsoring velcro-jumping at Spring Fair. The freshman class said that the winter semi-formal was a success.

Constitutions Looked At

The constitutions of the Blue Jay Spirit Club and the Caveat Lector were approved. The goal of the Spirit Club is to promote spirit in the Hopkins community. The *Caveat Lector* is a student literary magazine.

Clare Kelly was approved as the chair of the Student Excellence Award for Leadership and Service. The con-

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Chris Black/The Johns Hopkins News-Letter
Student Council discussed requiring students to present I.D.s in order to ride on the security shuttles.

stitution for the SEALs Committee was approved. The voting members of the Committee will be one Student Council member, one Student Activities Committee member, two senior Class members, one junior Class member, and one Resident Advisor.

A change to the constitution of the Hopkins Organization for Programming (HOP) was discussed. This proposal calls for the HOP to be headed by co-chairpeople instead of one person. Discussion on this proposal will occur

at the next student council meeting.

New Business

The Security and Facilities Committee created a proposal to require the presentation of identifications in order to utilize the escort shuttle service. If this requirement does not decrease the response time of the shuttles, it will be removed.

Setting eligibility requirements for voting for Young Trustee was discussed.

Faculty Appreciation Week will begin with a reception in the Glass Pavilion on Monday, March 14 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m..

Schedule

Monday: March 14

Student Council
This is the beginning of Faculty Appreciation Week, sponsored by Student Council. There will be a reception in the Glass Pavilion at 5p.m., with free food.

Student Activities Commission
This is one of the two executive board meetings of the week. It takes place at 5:30p.m. in Levering Hall's SAC conference room. Groups that need to attend should sign up on the SAC bulletin board in the SAC lounge.

Wednesday: March 16

Student Activities Commission
This is one of the two executive board meetings of the week. It takes place at 4p.m. in Levering Hall's SAC conference room. Groups that need to attend should sign up on the SAC bulletin board in the SAC lounge.

Student Council
There will be no weekly meeting this week, due to activities associated with Faculty Appreciation Week.

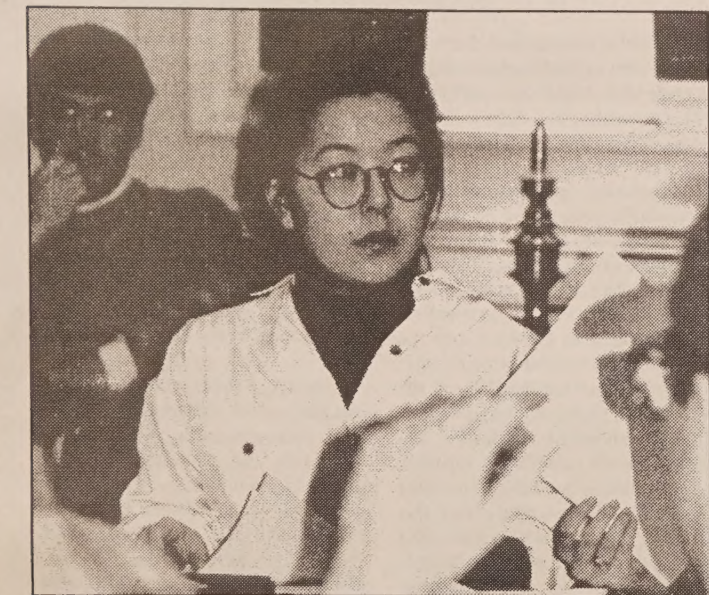
Friday: March 18

Student Activities Commission
This is the day that budgets are due to be turned in by all SAC groups.

Committee Chair Deadline

The following is a listing of committee chair positions that need to be filled for the next year, and the date the applications are due. Applications may be picked up or turned in at the Student Council office door, in Levering Hall.

Culture Fest	March 18
Handbook	March 18
Conduct Board	April 8
Curriculum Committee	April 8



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Margaret Lee led the discussion on what qualified one to vote in the Young Trustee balloting.

SAC Assembly Prepares for Budgeting

Budget Packets Issued Meeting; Completed Requests Due March 18

by **Mark Binker**
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Student Activities Commission Chair Tamara Charm convened the March 7 general assembly meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Monday. After the assembly approved the minutes, the meeting got under way.

Budgeting

The first topic of discussion was the budgeting process. All groups must submit several documents to the executive board by March 18. These include 12 copies of a proposed budget, 10 copies of an activities and fundraising report for this year, and one copy of a current constitution, membership list, and inventory list. The inventory list must include the location where equipment is stored.

While all groups must submit a budget, only class A, C, and D groups must attend a budget hearing. The class C group contains Student Council and the five classes. Class D groups are publications and class A groups are other groups that receive a yearly budget. All other groups receive funds throughout the year from contingency.

At the budget hearing, the executive board will review a group's budget and ask the representatives the group sends about that group's proposal. Preferably, a group's chief executive officer and chief financial officer should attend the hearing.

Budget hearings will take place from April 4 to April 8, and April 11 to April 15 in the SAC conference room in Levering hall. Times will be Monday, 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., Thursday 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., and Friday 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Groups should sign up for hearing times on the bulletin board outside of the Hopkins Organization for Programming (HOP) office in order to attend a hearing. Sign-up sheets will be posted later this week or early next week.

If a group does not attend a budget hearing, there will be no specific allocation given to that organization.

On April 18, at 5:30 p.m., budgets will be ready to be picked up. They will be in the Student Council office. The SAC liaisons will be available at that time to discuss changes that were made to groups budgets. This differs from last year when budgets were handed back at an SAC general assembly meeting, right before the general assembly was supposed to approve the budgets.

This change was made because last year "a lot of people didn't have the

time to look over it or to ask questions... we would really like you to come pick up your budgets so you can ask questions before Wednesday," said Chair Charm to the general assembly. The Wednesday she is referring to is April 20.

This will be the meeting at which the general assembly votes on whether to pass the budget or not. If the General Assembly passes it, then Student Council will have the opportunity to vote on the budget that night at their weekly meeting.

"A lot of people have asked me why the B and E class groups have to be [at the general assemblies] if they don't get this yearly allocation. The reason why is we get a certain amount of money from Dean Boswell. From that money we give to the different student groups, and we give to the council... and then what is left over goes to the contingency fund," said Chair Charm.

Since the B and E class groups draw money for their activities from that fund, it is in their best interest to make sure that their groups' needs are recognized at budgeting time, and reflected in the contingency fund.

Even groups on probation must submit a budget. A sample budget is being created, and will be left in the student groups' SAC mail boxes later this week.

Liaisons

Aside from budgeting, the other task the general assembly will have to perform will be to elect new liaisons. These are five people who represent the special interest, cultural and religious, recreation and hobbies, publications, and performing arts groups. Nominations for liaisons will be on April 20, and elections will be held on April 27.

JHUniverse

Since the B and E class groups draw money for their activities from that fund, it is in their best interest to make sure that their groups' needs are recognized at budgeting time, and reflected in the contingency fund.

Lee Watkins gave a brief presentation on JHUniverse, and how the student groups could access this resource and use it to post events and schedules. Watkins noted that many non-Hopkins students as well as undergraduates were using the service to find out about campus activities.

The SAC executive board is already accumulating information to post on the JHUniverse menu. Watkins will hold a training session for student groups who wish to learn to upload information to the system later this semester. The time and place will be announced by SAC Chair Charm later.

SEALS

Charm reminded the general assembly that SEALs award nomination forms have been issued. These are prestigious awards for Hopkins student leaders in the community. These forms must be returned by Friday, March 18.

Announcements

The radio station announced that it will be offering a campus notes-like service. WHSR now broadcasts to the Terrace Court and Wolman Station

cafeterias.

Student groups who would like to be put on the SAC e-mail list should see Publications Liaison Clare Callaghan.

Michelle Hurley announced that Bill Harington thinks that van usage has improved among the groups, but that six groups were still suspended because of activity this weekend alone.

The general assembly meeting adjourned at three minutes past 6:00 p.m.

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SAC Chair and Student Council Treasurer reported to Student Council on Monday afternoon's SAC general assembly meeting, where budget packets were handed out.

Bill of the Week

I.D.s on the Security Van

by **Mark Binker**
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

The following is a proposal put forward by the Security and Facilities committee of Student Council. It would have Hopkins students and affiliates show their identification cards before entering one of the Homewood escort shuttles.

This policy would not affect the shuttle that runs between Homewood and the Medical School Campus. It was passed Wednesday night by council with one modification.

This modification requires there to be a grace period, or warning period to allow students to get use to the idea of bringing their identification cards along.

Pros

The impetus for this legislation was the hope that response times would be reduced for the shuttles. Students have been complaining that the time a shuttle takes to reach a

potential passenger is too long.

While no hard numbers exist to say that many non-affiliates are riding, many suspect that non-Hopkins personnel using the shuttle service increase response times significantly.

The question of safety also came up. Non-Hopkins affiliates not only pose an insurance problem but may pose a security threat.

Cons

Opponents of the legislation said that the lack of hard numbers should prevent this bill from passing, saying that there is no reason to create another hassle for students if there is no proof it will fix the problem.

People also questioned whether the non-Hopkins students that are riding, really cause that much of an overload on the service. Opponents also asked whether students who have legitimate claim to the service, but have forgotten their I.D.s, should be denied safe transport.

Proposal to Require Presentation of IDs in Order to Utilize Escort Shuttle Service

by the Security and Facilities Committee

Students complain about the response time of the escort shuttles. Part of the problem could lie in the utilization of escort shuttle services by non-Hopkins entities.

Be it resolved that: escort shuttle drivers require presentation of Hopkins identification in order to utilize shuttle service. This requirement shall not be waived for anyone, even for friends of the driver, to eliminate the chance that drivers will discriminate on the basis of race, sexual orientation, etc. Students and their friends or relatives who are visiting and wish to use the escort shuttles shall be allowed to do so.

This identification requirement's continued existence shall be contingent on its decreasing the shuttles' response time. If the identification requirement is failing, then it is just another bureaucratic inconvenience to students and should be removed.

Election Results Inconclusive in Three Races

The VPIR, Secretary, and Presidents Races are Yet to Be Decided

Poonawala and Callaghan Elected for VPA and Treasurer Next Year

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Vice President for Administration

As expected, Asma Poonawala took the Vice President of Administration's race, as her's was the only name that appeared on the ticket. While 68 write in votes were cast for various candidates, Poonawala took 89.3 percent of the 635 votes casts for VPA, and did not face one serious write in contender. "I'm really psyched for next year" said Poonawala, who also said that she will miss working with those who will be leaving this year's council group.

When asked about working with Treasurer Elect Callaghan, Poonawala noted "I haven't worked that closely with Clare" and that she knew her mostly from contact with the SAC. "I know that she is very qualified," said Poonawala and is sure that they will work well together.

Vice-President for Institutional Relations

Neither Matt Quigley of Andrew

Lee captured the majority of the votes for Vice President for Institutional Relations. 42 votes for write in candidates prevented either name on the ticket to take more than half the vote.

Quigley ran ahead of Lee, capturing 49.7 percent of the vote, and showed extremely well in the AMR I polling station. In fact, that ballot location was the only one that Quigley won, with Lee getting at least 10 more votes at the other polling stations.

Lee ran best at the Wolman polling station, showing strong support from the Sophomore class. There will be no write in candidates in the run off election. If those voters don't come out again, Quigley will have the edge in the race. If the write in voters do come out, council watchers, Lee and Quigley will run very close with neither candidate having an edge.

Treasurer

Clare Callaghan won the Treasurer's race. Though she ran opposed, written in candidates made their most significant showing against Callaghan. Christa Savino, a sophomore, gathered 1.3%

Secretary

The race for Student Council Secre-

tary looked much like the VPIR race, with both candidates garnering over 45 percent of the vote but neither gaining a clear majority. Arora who is a freshman mirrored Quigley who is also a freshman by doing well in the AMR I polling location. Salama, like VPIR candidate Lee, showed well in all stations but did best at the Wolman polling station. Both candidates will be fighting for the votes that were cast in favor of write-in candidates, especially at the Levering and MSE Library polling places

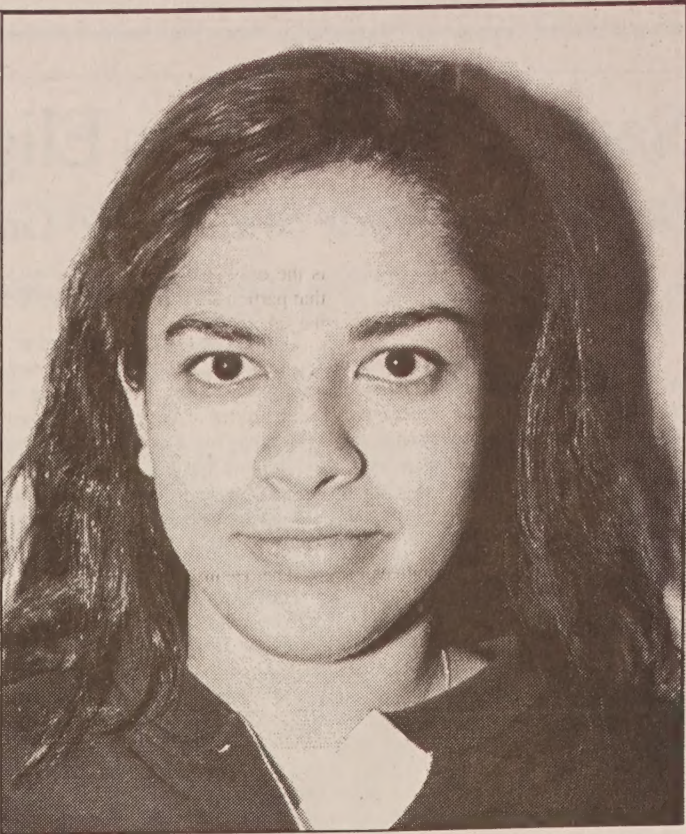
Referendum

The Dolkart Amendment, which was up for referendum, passed with 81.3 percent of the ballots cast in favor. This means that next year's student council will be comprised of 33 voting members, twelve more than this year. The extra votes will come from the class Vice Presidents, Treasurers, and Secretaries, who previously could only make motions at council meetings but not vote on legislation. This bill was forwarded earlier this semester by VPIR Peter Dolkart and passed by council. It will not affect the make up of next year's student council, but takes effect on May 1.

The *News-Letter* asked VPIR Dolkart what effect the rewritten portion of the student council constitution will have on the current by laws. Dolkart noted that the bylaws were very complicated and specific as to whom could vote or not vote or make motions. "This eradicates all that," says Dolkart noting that there will only be the privileges voting and non-voting members of council to define. As they stand now, the bylaws do not agree with the constitution and Dolkart says "we are going to have to rewrite them in order to conform to that."

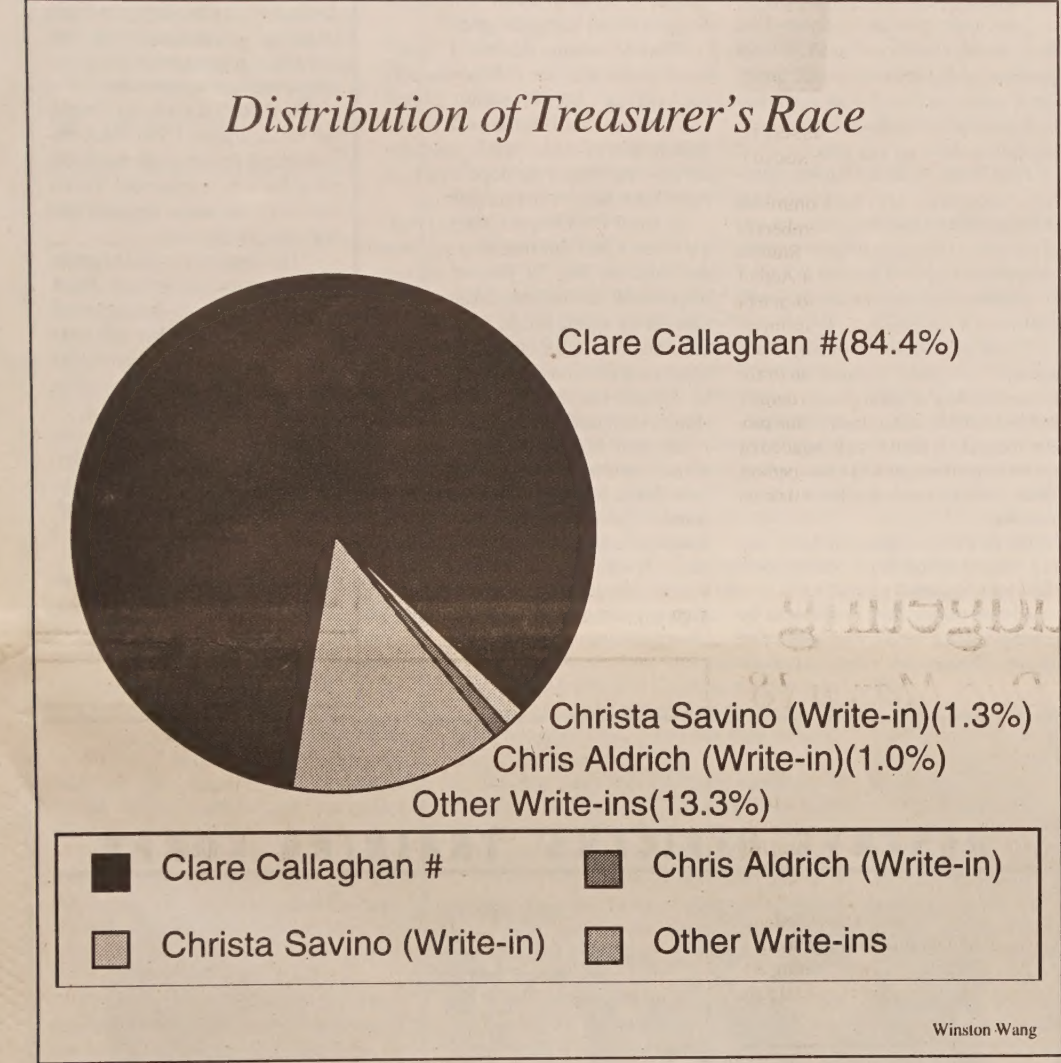
Dolkart feels that the changes will in the end "simplify and streamline the bylaws."

On the issue of attendance review, Dolkart say that he thinks "it is for the next year's council to make a decision for themselves." The current policy mandates an attendance review with the possibility of impeachment for any member that misses three or more meetings. This policy would now include the class officers that were given the right to vote by the Dolkart Amendment.



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Asma Poonawala was elected to be next Year's Vice President for Administration. She faced no declared or serious write-in opposition. Poonawala will be responsible for the Committee on Committees which selects committee chairs, and administers the different branches of Student Council. This year, Poonawala served as Student Council Secretary.



Run Offs

Run off elections will be held next Tuesday, at the same times and polling stations that were open this week. The results of these elections will be released the Wednesday after at eight o'clock barring a protest by any of the candidates.



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Clare Callaghan was elected to be Treasurer. She faced the most successful of the write in candidates, including Chris Aldrich who had dropped out of the race earlier last week. Currently, Callaghan serves as the publications liason for the Student Activities Commision Executive Board. Callaghan has served in that capacity for two years.

Rhodes' Strict Honor Code Works

Students Work, Study, and Live with out Fear of Theft or Cheating

by College Press Service

Honesty is not just the best policy at Rhodes College, it's the only policy.

At Rhodes, which is considered to have one of the toughest honor code systems in the nation, it is assumed that students do not lie, cheat or steal.

Students who eat lunch in the cafeteria can carelessly drop backpacks on the floor with certainty that nothing will happen to their possessions. No one checks to see if they have paid for their meals. Professors leave classrooms unattended during tests. Examinations are left on computer programs that are easily accessible to students, and if a student elects to take a test early, it is expected that he or she will not divulge any of the questions.

"It gives students a sense of control over their environment," said Chris Campbell, President of the Student Honor Council, which investigates alleged infractions of the code. "Students have more at stake in what's going on in the classroom. If one student cheats and the professor happens to grade on a curve, that affects the others in the class. It's fairer for students to be judged by their peers."

All first-year students are told that they have to sign a pledge not to cheat, steal or lie and to report anyone who does. New students walk up, one by

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-ECONOMICS PROFESSOR

one, and sign their names in a large leather volume that is the honor code book itself and pledge to live up to the standards of community life at Rhodes College.

"These standards, by which we all agreed to live, protect our personal freedom by encouraging a climate of trust, concern, and respect conducive to learning and growing," the pledge reads in part.

The Honor Council is tough on violators. About half of the students hauled before the student-run council were turned in by other students. In the past five years, the council has placed 47 students on probation, suspended 16 and expelled seven.

All reports of violations are brought before the council, which investigates the incident. If it is determined that an infraction has been committed, the council convenes a hearing in which the student is either exonerated, placed on probation, suspended, or expelled. There is an appeal panel of faculty and administrators which can uphold the decision or recommend a different course of action. But the council's ruling stands virtually in all cases.

That has brought the Honor Council some criticism as being arbitrary in its judgments. Some critics have expressed concern that the student council members aren't experienced enough to investigate a violation or deal with sensitive areas of conduct. Others complain that the council members shouldn't be elected because it turns the process into a popularity contest.

Campbell said the secretiveness of the council has come under fire because members meet at night and the name of the accused is never made public. "Our secretiveness is to protect

the character of the person accused," he said. "It's not like we wear cloaks and carry torches."

Faculty members said they were generally pleased with the results of the honor code.

"I leave my purse in my office in plain sight and don't lock my office door when I am on campus," said Dee Birnbaum, professor of economics.

However, as she points out, the honesty of students, faculty and staff at the college tends to lull them into a false sense of security.

"The worst part about the honor code, for me, is that I have become too relaxed about looking after my property," she said. "The problem is that I'm afraid that I'm losing that paranoid edge that permits me to survive in other places like New York."

Milton Brown, professor of religious studies, said he likes the message that the system conveys to students. The honor code, he said, "encourages authenticity, being accountable for oneself in the context of a true community of responsible selves, having a sense of interdependence that fosters and expects the best in others."

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Clinton Administration Studies

Up on a New Academic Plan

by Charles Dervarics
College Press Service

President Clinton promoted his administration's new seven-point program to foster lifelong learning in meetings with both college students and administrators Feb. 22.

Appearing before the American Council on Education's annual meeting in Washington, D.C., the President cited access to higher education, national service, and a better transition from school to the workplace as part of this agenda.

"The shape of American higher education is changing," Clinton said. "If we want America to grow jobs and increase earnings, we will have to dramatically increase our commitment to education."

The President said his newly proposed fiscal 1995 budget would increase by 23 percent funding for lifelong learning programs in education, job training and human services. That plan includes funds for partnerships among high schools, colleges and the private sector plus initiatives to change the nation's unemployment system to a result-oriented "re-employment" system.

Prior to the speech, Clinton got some first-hand experience on these topics in a morning jog with 12 students from Northern Virginia Community College in Annandale, Va. The students ranged in age from 19 to 32 and illustrated the changes taking place in American higher education.

"The average age of college students will continue to go up," the President said, a trend that will require colleges—and government—to prepare for change.

During his address to ACE, the President also touched on other education topics, including his proposed

fiscal 1995 budget for student financial aid. Many advocates have criticized the small increases planned for financial aid, but the President said his administration's actions have strengthened the student aid system.

"The Pell Grant program was \$2 billion in arrears (in 1993). It was one of those pleasant things you don't know about until they put it on your desk," Clinton said. Most of this shortfall developed during former President Bush's tenure.

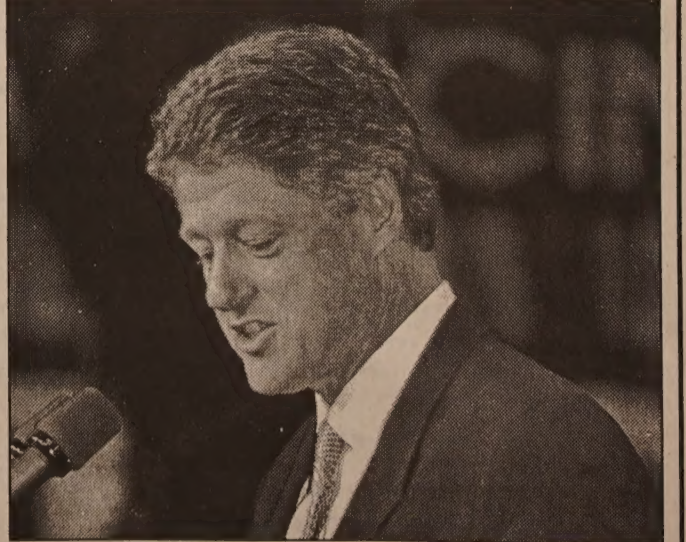
Yet under the Clinton economic program, the government will pay all the shortfall by next year and still have enough funds to recommend a \$100 increase in the maximum Pell Grant for fiscal year 1995. The average Pell Grant would increase as well, he said.

The President also praised the government's new experiment with direct loans, in which capital flows to students without requiring paper-work or input from banks. One major improvement in this new system is that students can repay their loans based on after-college income, thereby allowing them to work at lower paying service jobs without fear of default, the president said.

In addition, Clinton praised his administration's efforts to promote minority access in higher education, citing a recent announcement from his Education Department that approved race-based scholarships for needy minority students.

"We have lifted the cloud on minority scholarships," the president declared.

Following the speech, Clinton also signed an executive order to promote education excellence for Hispanics. Many college presidents attended that White House ceremony.



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President Bill Clinton speaks at Hopkins.

Same-Sex Partners Eligible for Benefits from Colleges

Benefits Are Made Available to Gay and Lesbian Partners of University Employees

by Leslie Kemp Poole
College Press Service

To demonstrate that they are desirable, equitable places to work and study, an increasing number of American colleges and universities are providing expanded benefits to the partners of their gay and lesbian faculty and staff members.

This extension of benefits, mostly health insurance but sometimes tuition discounts and access to facilities, mirrors a growing trend among U.S. businesses to provide equal treatment and compensation to all employees and their partners despite their sexual orientation. It also comes at a time when society's views about homosexuality are becoming more tolerant and gays and lesbians are demanding the same benefits that their married counterparts receive.

Approximately two dozen universities and colleges have instituted domestic partner policies during the past two years, including Harvard, Columbia, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Pomona College, Wellesley College, and the Universities of Chicago, Colorado, Vermont and Wisconsin, according to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. In doing so, these institutions are trying to attract students and faculty concerned with gay rights and to fulfill non-discrimination policies that many universities have instituted.

"This is an issue of fairness," said Marjorie Cowmeadow, a University of Minnesota Associate Dean and Chair of UM's Select Committee on Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Concerns. Since UM has a non-discrimination policy, providing domestic partner benefits to homosexual couples identical to those given to married couples means that the school is "bringing itself into compliance with its own stated policy," she said. "To say we don't discriminate means we don't discriminate."

"It's symbolically very important for us, even to the people who have not elected to use it," said Pat Cain, a lesbian law professor at the University of Iowa, the first major school to institute the policy. "It's symbolically very important to have your institution say

we need to do this for our gay and lesbian faculty."

The benefits to the school are manyfold, Cain said: The policy makes many employees happy, it provides good health insurance for people who might have to pay twice as much elsewhere, and it shows that the university is willing to "stand up for the principle of non-discrimination." Having such a policy can be a lure to faculty and students who want an institution where "everyone is treated fairly, including lesbians and gays," she said.

Since its start in January 1993, fewer than 20 people—as expected—have registered their partners to receive benefits, said Iowa Assistant Vice President Mary Jo Small. The program was debated and studied extensively for two years before receiving approval from the state's Board of Regents. That cleared the path for Iowa State University, which adopted a policy that started in July 1993, and for the University of Northern Iowa, which is considering a similar program, Small said.

The major concern at Iowa, as well as other universities, came down to costs, specifically whether adding gay and lesbian partners to health benefits would be a financial burden, especially in an era when homosexuals are perceived to be at higher risk of contracting the HIV virus and incurable AIDS. Those fears have not come true, although it is too early in most programs to determine just how expensive the added benefits will be.

Participating colleges and universities have varying guidelines for couples to qualify for these programs. At Stanford, same-gender couples must fill out forms certifying that they are not blood relatives, that they have lived together for at least six months in an exclusive relationship, and that they have mutual financial obligations.

The University of Minnesota requires that domestic partners be able to document at least three of the following qualifications that demonstrate joint responsibility: a joint mortgage or joint tenancy on a residential lease; a joint bank account; joint liabilities (such as credit cards or car loans); joint ownership of significant property (such as a car); durable property or health care

powers of attorney; naming each other as primary beneficiaries in wills, life insurance policies or retirement annuities; and written agreements or contracts regarding their relationships, showing mutual support obligations or joint ownership of assets acquired during the relationship.

Extension of these new benefits has raised the question of whether unmarried co-habiting heterosexual couples deserve the same coverage. But many schools have not made that offer, citing the fact those couples have the option of legal marriage. At the University of Iowa, unmarried heterosexual couples can receive spousal benefits if they sign an affidavit verifying that they have a common-law marriage that is recognized by Iowa state law.

Dozens of U.S. corporations, particularly in the high-tech and entertain-

ment fields, also provide domestic partner benefits—many before any colleges and universities were offering them, said George Kronenberger, Coordinator of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Workplace Project. They did so because their gay and lesbian employees, many of whom have become more visible in recent years, began demanding it and "in order to be competitive for greater human resource... to recruit the best-qualified people" who may be homosexual, he said.

It's only natural that the higher education arena would also take the same attitude, Kronenberger said. "It's the perfect place because you're talking intellectual rather than emotional response" to an issue that some companies prefer to avoid rather than risk public right-wing backlashes and prod-

uct boycotts, he said.

"Some parts of the country change more slowly than others," observed Phil Martin, director of Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Student Services at Ohio State University. "It takes different areas a different amount of time."

The topic has been volatile at OSU, where spousal benefits such as use of facilities, libraries and purchase of football tickets have been granted to same-sex couples, but not health care or tuition support, Martin said. Worries about potential costs and political controversy about homosexuals and their role in society has stymied any change in benefits, Martin said, adding that there is a bill in subcommittee in the Ohio legislature that would deny domestic partner benefits. "So the political reality is that it will be a while before they are extended here," he said.

Minorities Seek Role Models

by College Press Service

Marin Spiller said he experienced "major culture shock" when he moved from Chicago's South Side to rural Southern Illinois University at Carbondale to pursue a doctorate in sociology.

Particularly distressing was the lack of black professors as role models.

"There are so few black students or professors in graduate school. It's even more extreme than at the undergraduate level," said Spiller, who is President of the National Black Graduate Student Association (NBGSA).

Spiller, whose doctoral studies focus on racism in criminal justice and urban housing, is enrolled in a department that has no black faculty and only two other blacks pursuing advanced degrees.

"Studies have shown that many African-American graduate students don't complete their studies, and I'm convinced it isn't due to difficult or demanding academic programs," Spiller said. "It's because of non-supportive and alienating academic environments."

The NBGSA seeks to reverse this trend, linking 1,500 black student members from all academic disciplines to intellectual circles and communications networks nationwide, Spiller said.

"The association tries to establish a community among black graduate students, to share research ideas among each other and relax in a comfortable atmosphere where ideas are received and new ideas formulated," he says.

The NBGSA will hold its annual conference May 18-22 at Mississippi State University in Starkville, Mississippi. The organization also fosters a feeling of belonging through a biannual newsletter, and members communicate through the African-American Student Network, a discussion network on BITNET, an international computer network.

Spring Break Still on in Florida

Tourism Officials Are Expecting Flood of College Students This Year

by College Press Service

Tourism officials in Florida say that college students are expected to again flood the state for this year's spring break despite the murders of nine foreign tourists last year.

The tourist killings, which occurred across the state from an interstate rest stop in the rural Panhandle to hundreds of miles away in Miami, caused many European tourists to think twice before traveling to the Sunshine State.

That apparently isn't the case for college students, at least in the eyes of state tourism officials.

"It won't have any bearing whatsoever. Young people think that they are indestructible," said Suzanne Heddy, Vice President of special events and tourism for the Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce. "Spring break is such a phenomenon that it (crime) supersedes any type of consideration about not going."

She said most college students usually travel in groups of friends and "will not be in the same type of situa-

tions that would put them in jeopardy."

Last year, officials estimate that Daytona Beach attracted about 200,000 students during the three-week spring break period in March and April, and Heddy said she expects about the same number to show up this year.

John Evans, with the Florida Tourism Association, said he thinks that college students face the same amount of danger in Florida as they do on their campuses, so crime in the state shouldn't be a factor in whether or not they will visit.

"College people are pretty sharp people," he said. "I think they are aware that they're in no greater danger in Florida than where their campuses are located. I doubt seriously what we've gone through will affect spring break, unless there is another attack on a visitor."

He said most college students stay in a "pretty well defined" area where "the partying takes place."

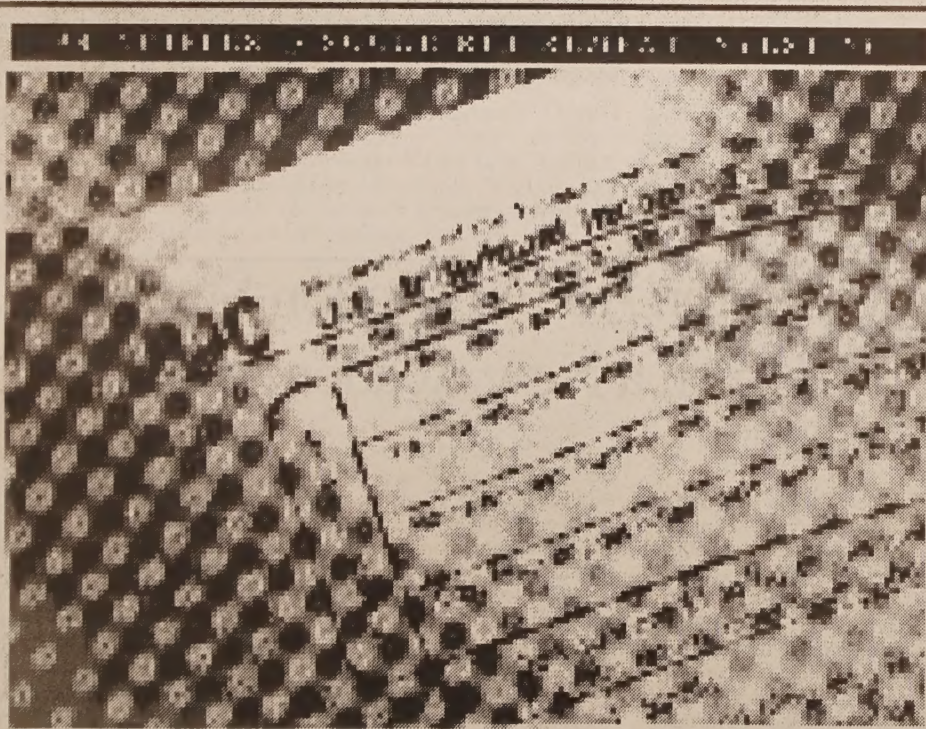
"I don't think they're going to be getting in areas where they will be in danger," Evans said. "They're in more

danger of a pretty severe sunburn or hangover than being mugged."

Florida remains the No. 1 spring break destination for college students on spring break, said Stuart Himmelfarb, Vice President of Roper Starch Worldwide, which conducts surveys for Roper College Track, a New York-based marketing firm.

In April 1993 Roper College Track surveyed 1,200 full-time undergraduate students, and 32 percent of the respondents said they had taken a vacation during spring break, with 29 percent traveling in the United States. Of those students who stayed in the country, Florida was the No. 1 destination, Himmelfarb said.

He said lack of money, and not crime, could keep students away this year. But he didn't downplay Florida's crime. "There are a number of serious issues and concerns about Florida," he said. "If someone were say to themselves, 'Should I go or not go?' this situation with crime could be the situation not to come."



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Features

Hopkins Pre-Med Worked in Croatian Refugee Camp

Interview with Student Who Witnessed the Conflict Between the Warring Factions in Bosnia-Herzegovina

by Kimberley A. Isbell
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Last summer, while most of us were working to help pay off our tuition bill or lazily enjoying the relaxation of summer, one Hopkins junior was over in Croatia helping provide medical services to those affected by the war. Tibor Kereshi spent two and a half months working at a refugee camp that housed refugees from the warring nations of Serbia, Croatia, and Bosnia who had fled the fighting.

News-Letter: Can you give us a description of what you did while you were in Croatia?

Tibor Kereshi: Basically I just went to Croatia to help out for medical purposes.

I wanted to go to Croatia to do this. I live in Massachusetts, so I was looking for some type of organization that was sending people over there.

There's an organization named WISE (Worster Institute for Student Exchange) and they were sending doctors over there. There were supposed to be two doctors from the United States and two from Czechoslovakia and they were going to go to Croatia, so I volunteered my services. I just wanted to help out over there.

I wasn't a doctor yet, but they let me go anyway because originally I was born in Croatia and I can speak the language, so they let me go to act as a translator.

That was my first purpose for going, just to act as a translator to help among the Americans and the Czechoslovakians. That kinda fell apart because the Americans and the Czechoslovakians decided that it was too dangerous to go but I had my mind set on it, to go on this trip, so I decided to go through with it anyway.

Originally the director was in Croatia and he talked to the people over there, the doctors, and they agreed to [us] sending students there, and in exchange those doctors would come work over here for a certain amount of time to learn the American way of medicine.

There was this health clinic that I was sent to that's in a small town called Dakovo, Croatia and that health clinic was the one that was organizing the medical services of the refugee camp. The refugee camp was located in a town nearby, and it was on a Croatian military base.

That was one of the main reasons I decided to go, because I knew I'd be safe because I'd be on a Croatian military base.

On that base the refugees consisted of Croatsians, Serbians, and Muslims from all of the three warring factions from Bosnia-Herzogovina, but the base was located in Croatia.

It was a multi-national endeavor, they were getting donations from all different countries, like France and Russia, who donated medical supplies, but all the doctors who worked there were Croatian.

When I went over I started off as a translator translating for the representatives from other countries that would come by just to assist and to see how many medical supplies they need.

When I first got there, they thought that I was a doctor. There was a little communication gap between the director at our place and the doctors over there and they thought that I was already a physician so they wanted me to get into performing medical services, but I explained to them that I was a pre-med student. They didn't really understand the concept of pre-med because students over there go directly into medical school. When I said I was a second year pre-med student they thought I had already been through the basics. They have a lot shorter medical program, about five years, so they thought I already knew a lot more [than I did]. Because I came from America they thought I knew even more than what they did, even though I only had completed two years.

Even though they found out I wasn't a doctor they were still willing to let me go through with them [while they were] helping the patients.

I started off assisting the nurses, and just doing basic services, like giving injections and taking blood pressure, just basically performing nursing services. As time progressed then the doctors started teaching me what they were doing so later on I was able to [do more things].

There were many [people] in the refugee camp, I think there were about 4000 refugees, mostly young children and older people. They were all pretty sickly, so they [the clinic] had at least 50 patients a day from the camp and there was only one doctor that worked there all the time and there was another one that came in during the day (I commuted there with that doctor), so things were pretty busy.

They allowed me to start performing physician's duties, and I became a physician's assistant. Once I had learned to diagnose certain pathological disorders I was able to assist with the physical examinations and supply the appropriate medication. That was basically my [job].

I worked there during the day. I actually lived in the health clinic in Dakova. Before I came it was a war hospital, but the war front moved on so they didn't have too many war victims there. That was actually was the original goal of all the doctors, they were supposed to assist in that war hospital but that closed down so it became a health clinic. They had everything except surgery; it was an emergency room, and everything else, like gynecology, and there was an obstetrician. That's where I stayed at night. I lived in one of the emergency

rooms.

I got to help out [at the emergency room]. These people, they were civilians, not war refugees. They were just people from the town. That's where I got to see most of the action. At the refugee camp, there weren't recent war victims. There were people who had been injured in the war but the immediate problems were taken care of and then there were just things that I had to do like wound cleaning but nothing immediate, there were no immediate services that needed to be applied, but in the emergency room there was something happening.

Since Croatia was basically a war zone, everybody had guns, so there were always accidents and people getting shot, so even though they were still civilians..., it was basically friendly fire, but they'd be injured and they'd come into that emergency room, so I got to help out in that.

I also got to work in the ambulances. They don't have doctors on the ambulances, just the emergency medical technicians, so that's probably the highest level of medical services I was able to assist with.

That's probably where most of the excitement is, just to ride around in the ambulance.

N-L: When were you there from?

TK: June the middle of August [1993]

N-L: Why did you want to go do this?

TK: There were a lot of reasons why I decided to go. The biggest one was that since I am Croatian, if I [had] stayed in Croatia I would probably be fighting in the army, but since I'm in America [I felt like] there was something I needed to do.

Since I'm pre-med [I decided to help out]. I wasn't really sure whether I wanted to go into the medical profession, so this was the best way to see whether I could hack it, I guess. That's one of the biggest reasons I decided to go just to see if I could do that sort of thing, just to handle aiding the victims

I learned a lot more than I would ever in the classroom. I was able to just help out in the clinic, get hands-on experience. Even though I'm not certified to do any of this stuff [they let me].

They were desperate and they needed help. I guess now I could offer my services here, but it was just a great learning experience just to see how people interact.

The doctors there were really young, fresh out of the medical school, so I think that made it a lot more enjoyable just to be able to work with people near my age, 23, 24 years old, just communicating with them and then acting as a liaison between the representatives from other countries. That helped a lot [the interaction with the doctors]. I also got to learn about the interact[ions] between two different cultures and I saw how everybody just wants to get together and help a sad situation.

N-L: In what way did this experience shape your plans for the future?

TK: I'm definitely going to try to get into medical school. Maybe once I can finish my medical degree, I'd like to go back and help out if necessary in the future.

One of the biggest things that affected me was just seeing people die. In an emergency room you can't save everybody and I never really had to face death before. This made me aware of death and not as afraid of it as I used to be.

On the plus side, [although] I wasn't personally responsible for actually saving their lives, just being able to assist in helping out the doctors save lives, just doing that, I mean that's just a great feeling.

N-L: What was the most exciting or memorable part of your experience?

TK: In terms of excitement I guess the most exciting things I did were riding around in the ambulance. I mean, that's where the real rush came. I guess from working you just get caught up in the moment. That was a lot of fun.

Something that really stands out in my mind, I guess would have happened at the refugee camp. In the two months that I stayed there I gradually got better and I was learning more...

There was this old lady at the camp and she was suffering from arthritis. They gave her anesthetics in daily injections. I was responsible for giving those injections, and she'd come to me every day. Her appreciation of what I was able to do for her, I think that had the biggest effect on me. It wasn't something really great [that I was doing], but just being able to help her out in her suffering [felt good]. What she did finally in the end, these are all poor people they don't have much, but she made me a pair of socks to show how grateful she was for what I did for her. I worked there as a volunteer, so this is the first thing I ever received for my services. It was just a good feeling to see that someone appreciated what I had done.

N-L: Is there anyone there that you got especially close to that you plan to keep in touch with?

TK: The one doctor that served as my mentor. I worked with her most of the time I was in



Tibor Kereshi went to Croatia and acted as a medical aide in a Bosnia-Herzegovina war refugee camp this summer.

Croatia, and we became good friends. She'll be coming here and we still stay in touch.

If she wasn't so friendly I don't think I would have been able to learn as much. She was always willing to teach me. Most doctors, when they examine a patient, they go through the thing and they don't really explain to you, but every single time I was there she'd actually have me do stuff with her so I was able to learn not just the words but actually [be able to] either take the heart beat or the blood pressure, whatever goes on in an actual examination.

She was a lot of help in making my trip more memorable.

N-L: What were conditions like in the area you were in?

TK: When I went there it was about 10 km away from the front lines, so there wasn't any actual fighting going on in the city, but you could always hear rockets flying so there was general fear. Everybody was kind of afraid, but they were just so used to it now, life just kept going on. Bars would be open at night and people would be enjoying themselves. Sure they'd complain, but they wouldn't really dwell on it; they didn't give up. The atmosphere of just going on and not giving up, I think that was the general feeling.

Of course, the economy was just horrible there so everybody was really poor. The doctors were getting paid about \$120 a month so that would affect sometimes the way they worked. It didn't matter how many patients they had, they still have that set salary. Sometimes things could be pretty destitute, I guess, at the refugee camp.

I guess you are familiar with the war. The Croatsians, the Muslims and the Serbians, all three of them are fighting each other, but still all of the refugees were able to come to Croatia from the three different countries. Even though the countries are fighting each other, there was still this one place set up so that the victims of the war could [take refuge].

[At the camp] they were forced to be together. Being able to live in that community of the different warring factions, I don't know what that says.

It's really a mixed up war, nobody really knows why they're fighting.

[For example], the refugee camp is in Croatia but one of [groups of refugees were from] this one city in Bosnia where the Croatian forces and the Bosnian forces were fighting, and all these refugees had to flee from there but they fled to their enemies, to Croatia, for help, so that in one part of Croatia the people are trying to save each other and in the other part they're killing each other.

Just that mixed up atmosphere made it pretty confusing. In the refugee camp there was never any violence, the refugees never fought. They were mostly old people and women and children, so there wouldn't be any need for violence, but they were able to live together and they all helped each other. Even the doctors [worked together]; there was one Bosnian doctor there and there was a Bosnian nurse, so even though the armies were fighting each other the civilians were trying to help each other.

N-L: What was the attitude of the people towards the war?

TK: I guess the reason for the war is because of the Serbians, they want it to stay one whole nation, the Yugoslavian nation, but the Croatsians and the Bosnians, they want to split up into their own nations. So everybody wanted the war to stop, but they wanted to have their own land and they knew they wouldn't be able to have their own land without fighting. Of course, nobody really wants war, that was the general consensus.

N-L: Do you think that people wanted their land

more than they wanted peace?

TK: I was totally in Croatian territory, so when I talked to the people, I have it from a biased opinion. On the Croatian side, there were Serbian forces in Croatian territory. They wanted to end the war and to stop the Serbians, but they'd go to any means to do it. They'd never stop fighting until they have their land. They are willing to die for their land, they are willing to fight and they will keep on fighting until they got their land back.

N-L: Would you recommend this experience to others?

TK: I don't know whether I could recommend this thing or not. Yeah, it was something I had a great time doing, but it was also the most difficult thing I ever did. I guess the thing that kept me going was a certain loyalty to the people and the country that I was born in. That's what made me go in the first place even though all the other doctors backed out, but I don't know if I could say if somebody had the opportunity to go do this "Yeah, go ahead and do it." That has to be a decision [they make] on their own, whether they can cope with it. Even though it was a difficult time there, it was definitely one of the best things I ever did. I am happy that I was able to.

I really wanted to see what life was like in a warring country and now I understand what things are like. Seeing death, it's just hard to explain the feeling, but what makes up for it is being able to say that you helped to save someone.

N-L: When did you move to America?

TK: I came when I was five.

N-L: In the future, would you want to go back after the war is over?

TK: All of my relatives are there so I would definitely like to go back, see how they are all doing.

N-L: Are your relatives near the fighting?

TK: They're 2 km from the front line. There was a whole year when they had to hide in their basement, just like what's going on in Bosnia now. Fortunately the Croatian forces were strong enough to keep the Serbians out. That's why the Bosnians are suffering so much, because they're a much poorer nation so they have to take the beating.

The war's been going on for about three years now, the first two years it was unnerving just listening to the radio and hearing what's going on but not really knowing for sure whether they were alive or not. That's why I wanted to go over there, to see how [things were].

I did visit them last summer. That was a great experience, just to see them all alive.

N-L: Do you have any predictions as to how long the war will last?

TK: I guess the people will keep fighting until they run out of ammunition. I mean, there has just been so much hate building up over the years that nobody really knows. I can't make any predictions.

I thought I'd go there and really understand what's going on, but now, yeah I can understand some things better, but there are so many other things that are even more confusing.

The people want the war to end, but it's just hard to stop. It's not really a controlled war with the high command telling the army what to do, it's just everybody just going out and [doing things like] ethnic cleansing. I guess that's how it's been described. Until they run out of ways of killing each other I don't see it stopping.

Johnberries
Hitting a Sour Note

by John Roy

This week I've decided to bring my comparatively vast musical knowledge to bear on the ultra-depressing Radio Free Hopkins Top Ten List. Let's take a look at last week's offering, shall we?

At number one we have Tori Amos. Have any of you teeming masses heard of a woman named Kate Bush? She's the one ol' Tori stole her career from. Trouble is, compared to Kate, Tori is absolutely TERRIBLE. Her songs all sound the same, her poetry rivals that of a thirteen year old suburban girl for mastery, she believed her press agent when he told her that a picture of her looking inscrutable on the cover would be neat... Where's the appeal? I'll tell you: the song has been played incessantly since the day it came out, and eventually we resign ourselves to like that

The waves of sequels in the theater has been echoed in the music world.

which we cannot avoid.

Nine Inch Nails? Please. Trent Reznor moves into the Sharon Tate mansion claiming that he "didn't know anything about its history" despite the fact that real estate agents must disclose any information about crimes committed in the houses they're selling. Then he cranks out a third mindless technocrap album complete with blown-speaker drums and claims that he's "Industrial." All he's ever put out that was even remotely worthwhile had been remixed by Jim Thirlwell of "Foetus."

Jawbox? Good lord. They sucked when they were on Dischord, they suck today, except it's a cleaner, more produced sucking. A "Suction," if you will. Why don't musicians need to be able to carry a tune anymore?

The only decent tunes on here are those by Therapy? and Alice in Chains, and those are due almost entirely to people blindly buying stuff because the earlier albums were so hip.

Therapy? has chosen to go with songs that hover around three minutes, fast, with one catchy riff and little embellishment. It's nice to see the punk ethos alive and well, but that doesn't mean I like "Nurse" all of a sudden.

I'm completely mystified as to the success of AIC's new ep, because only one of the songs sounds anything like those on "Dirt." This is by no means a bad thing: Alice in Chains has proved to have several thousand times the creative power of Pearl Jam and all their vocal rip-offs, who were content to churn out a pale copy of "Ten" last October.

The record industry has followed the lead of the movie industry: when something sells once, repeat it as closely as possible. The copy analogy holds well, however: each time the quality fades a bit more. The waves of sequels and knock-offs in the theater (all those bloody Columbus movies; remakes of "La Femme Nikita" as "Point of No Return" and "The Return of Martin Guerre" as "Sommersby;" the slew of "Basic Instinct" style sex-o-thrillers like "Sliver" and "Intersection") has been echoed in the music world by bands that got lucky once and made it huge, then were called upon to make a follow-up. The best examples of this are Pearl Jam's flaccid "Vs." and the massive army of Eddie Vedder/Pearl Jam imitators that has crept from the sludgy sea of no-talent musicians in the guise of Crash Test Dummies and their ilk. Even Soundgarden, a much better band than Eddie Vedder's ego could ever hope to support, slips into Pearl Jammy on their newest album out 3/8:, "Superunknown."

At the end of a century, it's not uncommon for artists to declare that there is nothing new to say, and imitate past successes. Of the four albums I listened to at work tonight (all of which are out 3/8), all four had some sort of blatant "retro" thing going. Soundgarden toys with the "Rolling Stones Trying Real Hard to Follow Up the Beatles White Album Early '70's" sound, Elvis Costello plays with a retro organ sorta thing, Morrissey just sucks, but in a retro outdated kind of way, and the nominally new Latin Playboys (Los Lobos) record their songs on equipment that sounds like it's been heaved out a window, or is 60 years old.

While the last meets with the greatest success, these varied and desperate attempts to make something new out of the past are strangely pathetic. What I'd like to hear is a truly NEW sort of music. If anyone knows (or thinks they know) of something truly novel, lemme know.

Explore International Educational Opportunities for the Summertime

by Amy Plummer
College Press Service

Hey, party animals, are you planning on spending another summer sacrificing brain cells and working on a case of skin cancer? While that may sound tempting, here's a newsflash: There's more fun awaiting you overseas.

As a matter of fact, thousands of burned-out college students find going abroad and occupying themselves with something otherworldly is just the ticket for getting reinvigorated. Oh, sure, summering abroad (or just using the word summering) was once reserved for troubadours, debutantes and literati, but now many students can follow their wanderlust.

The educational travel business has gotten so competitive lately, programs have to cater to students' whims — or wither and die. They finally figured out that college students want academic credit and their cherished summer freedom, so most of them have tried to become more flexible, like letting students decide when their individual programs start and releasing them on the weekends to travel to Timbuktu if they so desire. Most programs offer college credit on an optional basis, although some don't, if for no other reason than they're awesome on their own accounts.

If you're interested, start planning now because you can't wait until summer to sign up for these odysseys:

Thousands of burned-out college students find going abroad and occupying themselves with something otherworldly is reinvigorating.

Make Merry In Madrid

Take courses in English or Spanish from an international faculty through St. Louis University's branch in Madrid, the only American university with an integrated campus in Europe. The Spaniards are legendary for invigorating the American campus on the Mississippi — imagine their fiestas on home turf! For eight weeks, live with a Spanish family or in a dorm for \$850-\$1,500 plus about \$200 per credit hour for tuition. Airfare is extra. June 6-July 28. Application deadline: May 1. 1-800-758-3678.

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Live as a member of a host family in one of 25 countries worldwide, but get the added benefit of traveling independently. The Federation of National Representations of the Experiment in International Living arranges your homestay, but you pick the start date and the length of time — one to four weeks. Why would you want to get away from your own parental units only to live with someone else's? You get to know the local people, immerse yourself in a foreign language, go to work one day with your host or visit a workplace of your future profession. Then you can take off and lie on the French Riviera for the rest of the summer, knowing that you accomplished something. Cost: \$200-\$1,000; Transportation is on you. You must apply at least eight weeks before you leave. 1-802-387-4210.

Donate Your Body To Science

Research Vietnamese ethnic music, the greenhouse effect on Trinidad, family planning strategies in Bolivia or dolphin intelligence in Hawaii with the

Educational travel

businesses let students decide when their programs start and can offer college credit

Real McCoy of expedition groups. EarthWatch has been around since 1972 and offers these projects among about a zillion others this summer. "It's a Peace Corps-type of experience without having to spend two years at it," says Shepley Metcalf, who keeps reporters on top of the adventures of this global organization. Your contribution of \$600-\$2,400, which varies per expedition, helps fund scientific research that you get to participate in — and often get college credit for! That covers chow, bed (camping, cabins or bed and breakfast), and hands-on training on the expedition, but you have to get yourself there. Most projects last two weeks. Since it's "first come, first served" and projects fill up fast, get on the horn ASAP. Passport and visa may be obvious prerequisites, but keep in mind many of the wild places on the agenda require immunizations. Get an inspiring color catalog: 1-800-776-0188.

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Talk about paying attention to college student needs. The American Institute for Foreign Study offers two traveling study abroad programs — that's right, school that moves. The art and architecture program wanders through nine of Europe's acclaimed cities, while the more staid finance and marketing group pops into the continent's five fiscal centers. Other

programs, lasting three to 12 weeks, are offered in Western Europe (including a London internship), Russia, Mexico and Japan. These trips will set you back \$2,099 to \$4,599 depending on how long you stay and how much you plan to eat. Bonus: currency fluctuations won't affect the price, and discounted airfares are available. Applications are due March 15, or tack on another \$150. 1-800-727-2437 ext. 6087.

Quick Takes

•The Council on International Educational Exchange has information on paid work, volunteer workcamps, study abroad and college credit in 33 countries. Their travel agency gets you great deals. Apply ASAP, preferably three months in advance. Ask for their excellent (and free!) magazine/catalog, Student Travels: 1-212-661-1414.

•Lex America offers homestays in Japan and Korea lasting four to six weeks, \$2,550-\$3,000, including airfare from the West Coast. Credit is available. Families speak English. Deadline: May 1. 1-617-489-5800.

•Amigos de las Americas has volunteer public health projects in Mexico, the Caribbean, Central and South America where you can hone leadership skills and improve the world. You can obtain advanced placement in Spanish/Portuguese classes. 1-800-231-7796.

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Overview

Academia: Transforming Our World

by Benjamin Meltzer

No one could ever convince me that academia isn't important. Every day, the students and faculty of universities all over the world engage in studies that will change the course of history and improve the lives of people around the globe.

Take the discipline of mathematics, for example. I don't know the first thing about math. Few things give me a headache faster than sines, cosines, and long division. Still, I wanted to learn about the impressive frontiers of knowledge the higher-ups in the world of math bravely conquer when they put themselves to work. My curiosity landed me in the office of Professor D. Skreet, who has been teaching math for over twenty years.

"Here's a study done by one of my graduate students last semester." I read the title of the paper he handed me. "2x: Is it Really Twice as Much as x?" A pressing issue, no doubt. Instantly, I found myself itching to learn the answer. "Yes it is," Professor Skreet assured me. "Unless of course x is an infinitely repeating decimal."

"Of course," I mumbled, as the professor handed me another paper. "A student recently submitted this one as a Ph.D. thesis." My mind raced in anticipation of the earth shattering essay I would soon find in my hands.

"The Octagon: Considering Each of its Eight Sides in Turn." "I don't think it's gonna fly, though," Professor Skreet shook his head like a disappointed father. "You see, the paper is terribly redundant. But I guess that was inevitable, given that each side of an octagon is exactly the same."

Fascinating, but what other math-

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emtical puzzles boggle the minds of today's scholars? "Dodecahedrons: What the Hell are they?" This article, Professor Skreet assured me, will send shock waves through the world of mathematics, as the author attempts to answer one of the most long standing and complex questions facing mathematicians.

If the article turns out to be the success that the professor expects it to be, his department may even offer a course on it next year.

Last, I saw an article entitled "3!: Is it Three Factorial or the Number Three Expressed with Enthusiasm?" It was written by his own department chair, but Professor Skreet confessed that the essay is second rate. Still, the professor did demonstrate an interest in the general issue raised by his colleague's paper, offering me his own explanation of the mysterious "3!" phenomenon: "It's probably just a typo."

God only knows what other barriers to human happiness will soon come crashing down thanks to the dedicated army of academics who continue to fight for a better tomorrow.

Dave's Raves

America Is Making Excuses Instead of Making Good

The Same Excuse You Used in Your Youth Is Popular In Current Events Today: "It's Not My Fault!"

by David Buscher

"Victims we know so well. . ." This song, a filler on Culture Club's "Colour by Numbers," could be the United States' new national anthem. In the past few years, countless people have fashioned a billion-dollar industry out of absolving themselves from blame. Publishing and video empires, which capitalize on the American need to put the responsibility of their actions on other people, have been created virtually overnight.

The evidence that this mania has seeped into the collective unconscious of our country is everywhere. Lorena Bobbitt and the Menendez brothers are the butts of many jokes, but when three juries have virtually acquitted them from accountability for their obvious, ADMITTED crimes, the cases cease to be funny. Yes, I cut off my husband's penis, but IT'S NOT MY FAULT. Yes, we murdered our parents in cold blood, but IT'S NOT OUR FAULT. Yes, says Oliver North, I lied to Congress, but IT'S NOT MY FAULT. Yes, say the surviving Branch Davidians, we fired on and killed government agents, but IT'S NOT OUR FAULT. "It's Not My Fault" should replace "In God We Trust" on our paper money. It's just as inaccurate, yet it flows better and is more cutting edge. The motto of the United States should be changed from "E. Pluribus Unum" to "The Devil Made Me Do It."

Satan, government cabals, and abusive relatives aside, many Americans are grasping for alternative scapegoats for their troubles. Didn't get a job? Then you're the victim of the bigotry of Affirmative Action. Do you not like to way things are going in the country? No, don't change a thing, you're beautiful...you're a victim of evil liberal or conservative forces. Did you lose a lot of money at the track? It's the horse's fault. Are you a maladjusted psychotic? You were molested as a child. Sure, it happens all the time. Ask your priest.

This finger-pointing mindset unleashes a host of problems on society, which are being felt en masse today. Not only does the whole conservative-liberal brouhaha have its origins in the "don't blame me" syndrome, so do specific arguments in this ongoing battle.

For example, let's examine a good,

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upstanding conservative person. This individual is divorced, now unable to have a meaningful relationship, can't get along with his family, was passed over for a promotion at work, and has limp, lifeless hair. Publicly, our random conservative will put the responsibility for each of these problems on someone else, but somewhere, deep down inside, he knows that all of these issues are self-soluble. Because this conservative knows he, himself, is "faking it," he will find it difficult to believe that other people or groups are not. When faced with the issue of homosexuals, for example, whose orientation actually is beyond control, our conservative friend will believe that these people are "sinning" by choice. This attitude leads to widespread distrust in this country. Why do you think Bob Dole is so sure that President Clinton is hiding something about Whitewater?

Perhaps the most visible symptom of the victimization of America is the staggering number of lawsuits which have arisen in the past 15 years. Some are justified; most are ridiculous. The success of cases like that of a clumsy person who trips on a step inside a building and then collects thousands of dollars in damages has led to even more outrageous settlements. The cost of medical coverage is rising out of control due to the skyrocketing prices of malpractice insurance. Some patients want to sue these days if their doctor looks at them cross-eyed. It is now even possible for burglars (who are, of course, victims of society) to sue if they are injured by defensive property owners. Capitalizing on this phenomenon — or perhaps causing it — are those awful commercials with lawyers who speak in concerned, tragic tones. At first it was only former Assis-

tant State's Attorney Stephen L. Miles urging his viewers to talk about it. Now dozens of these bloodsuckers are battling for air time, including a very dramatic one featuring a phone booth in a thick mist. Is this phone booth going to represent you in court? It assures you, in concerned, tragic tones, that it will do everything short of murder to win you a settlement. Maybe this phone booth will prank call the defendant until he gives in. Or maybe Bill & Ted's Kooky Lawsuit is in the making. Indisputably, the most obnoxious thing to come along in years has got to be the appearance of Inner Children, which are linked to the blameless ones in many ways. Although the phrase Inner Children conjures images of tiny tots nestled in our intestines, they are actually supposed to be the childlike parts of our beings. They can be remnants of our actual childhoods, or astute victims can create fantasy realms in which their Inner Children are buffeted on all sides by grief, desire, or molestation. As with the devil, many people choose to blame their actions on their Inner Children. I was molested when I was young, they might cry, and now my Inner Child won't let me have a meaningful relationship. Perhaps it's time for there to be some sort of Inner Childcare, so that the Outer Parents might get some respite from their little darlings. Personally, I think my Inner Child was abducted long ago by Per Jambeck.

Now, dear readers, it's time to engage in a little satire. Oh, you know what that is! It's that technique in writing honed over the centuries by great minds like Jonathan Swift and Alexander Pope and recently perfected by Hopkins student Mike Mullaney. In this bit of satire, I would like to illustrate a picture of America around the turn of the next century.

AMERICA: AD 2001

Mr. Smith has just finished reading a recent best-selling phenomenon, *It's Not My Fault*, by Leo Buscaglia. He is positively euphoric, and has to suppress the urge to run about, hugging his neighbors and assuring them that the fact that his dog urinates on their properties is neither his fault, nor Spot's, nor that of microbes that might cause a urinary tract infection. No, the blame for this phenomenon, which has plagued his neighbors for years, is to be placed on society. You see, society creates



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industry, which in turn produces a daily rush hour. Mr. Smith gets caught in rush hour, then runs out of time to stop at the pet store to pick up a chain that might keep Spot in the yard. Society also entices Spot to leave Mr. Smith's property by encouraging people to own pets, throw out trash, mow their lawn, and do many other things that might attract a curious dog's attention.

Spot is out roving the neighborhood as Mr. Smith puts down his book. Therefore, the connoisseur of fine literature has no advance warning when a burglar enters the room and threatens him with a gun.

Mr. Smith panics. It's not his fault, really. Society has conditioned panic at the sight of armed robbers. Instead of

cooperating, he jumps around screaming until he knocks his head on the door frame and passes out cold.

The burglar picks up a television and heads for the door. Suddenly, however, the heavy appliance causes muscle strain in his back. He drops it to the ground and flees. Days later, Mr. Smith receives a summons in the mail. He is being sued by one Mr. Jones, a burglar who was injured on his property.

A furious Mr. Smith calls up Bill S. Preston, Esq., in his phone booth and inquires about a countersuit for the knot on his head plus mental anguish, a sum total of about three million dollars and the price of a new TV. Mr. Preston and his associate Mr. Logan assure Mr. Smith in concerned, tragic tones, that

they will receive no fee unless they win.

Smith also banishes Spot from the house for his lack of vigilance. Forever after, he complains a lot to his friends about how this liberal political system is letting too many criminals onto the streets.

Spot, his Inner Puppy deeply wounded by his abandonment, roams the wilderness until he bites the mailman for no good reason. He doesn't need a good reason, really. When he stands trial at the dog pound, he'll weepingly throw himself on the mercy of the court. He was molested as a child.

Oh, wait, that was the Menendez brothers.

Features

Advice Stuffs

Helloooooooooooooooooooooo Doctor!

by Dr. Ophelia DeMoozie

Dear Dr. DeMoozie,

Well, the semester is just about half-way over already. This is significant to me because this is my last semester. I've applied to a few grad schools, but what if I don't get into any? Then I'll have to get a real job and I won't be a student anymore. I've been a student as long as I can remember. What is it like in the "real world," Doctor? Is it as scary as it looks?

I understand that piercings are not for everyone, but you are correct in thinking that it is really none of your business.

Signed,
Job Jitters

Dear Job Jitters,

Ah, yes, I remember when I was your age—fresh out of college and a little nervous about what lay ahead. But don't worry, it's not too bad. There are a few changes to which you will have to become accustomed: 1.) You will probably have to get up before lunch-time on the weekdays. 2.) You will suddenly have nothing to do in the evenings—no reading or writing papers (assuming you stay far away from research). 3.) You'll be very happy about No. 2 because your early rising time will most likely leave you feeling sleepy by around 10 p.m. or 11 p.m. 4.) You will one day realize that you will be doing the same thing, five days a week, for approximately the next 40 years. This will lead to 5.). The sudden revelation that college does have its good points and that those crazy adults may have been speaking some truth when they said that the college years were some of the best.

Dear Dr. DeMoozie,

My apartment-mate has taken to piercing himself with a safety pin. He has done his nose, lip, eyebrow, navel, nipple, and even said he's done a Prince Albert (that's a piercing on the... you know... the penis). I guess it's really none of my business and it shouldn't bother me, but the whole thing makes me feel uncomfortable. And lately he's been hinting that I should try it and waving his safety pin at me. What should I do? Can I break a lease over this sort of thing?

Signed,
Needle Shy

Dear Needle Shy,

I understand that piercings are not for everyone, but you are correct in thinking that it is really none of your business. This does not mean that you should have to listen to all the gory details of his latest piercings over breakfast, so I think that he should understand if you were to ask him to keep it to himself. Breaking the lease would hardly be justifiable in these circumstances, but if he starts trying to sneak into your room at night and get you into the act, I think you should seriously consider leaving.

Dear Dr. DeMoozie,

Why is it so damn difficult to park in Baltimore? I find myself driving around in circles for ages, just waiting for someone to pull out. Once I was driving around for around 45 minutes, had to park illegally, run in to pee, then come out and start the circling again. Is there any way to get around this?

Signed,
Getting Dizzy

Dear Getting Dizzy,

This is a complaint that many residents of Charles Village have. It can lead to acts of unkindness. Some people just ignore signs and park in front of driveways, in bus stops (oh, the bus drivers just love that one), or hanging over the corner. This is definitely not a good idea. Baltimore folk don't mind towing, and once they do, it can cost a good bundle to get your beloved vehicle back. Some people have even been driven to place large objects in their parking space when they leave so that it will still be there. Really there is nothing you can do (within the law) to make the parking situation, except per-

haps sell the car and take up busing or biking (ha!).

Dear Dr. DeMoozie,

I am a freshman here at Hopkins. Now that it looks like spring may actually arrive this year, some of the upper-classmen are warning me that the warm weather may adversely affect my grades. I'm not sure what they mean. I would think that the cabin fever that nearly drove me insane would be worse. Is there any truth to their theory?

Signed,
Waiting for the Beach Parties

Dear Waiting,

It varies from person to person. Some people can handle the spring and others can't. Just try to avoid telling yourself that huge lie: "Oh, I'll just go lie outside in the sun for a couple minutes, then I'll get right back to work." There are plenty of distractions at this time of year—as you mentioned, there's always people hanging out on the beach, and then there's that Spring Fair thing, which is sure to detract from your studying time and your bank account. I think that if you stay in D-level of the library during all daylight hours, you will be safe.

Doctor Ophelia DeMoozie is in a hole right now. Inexplicably, last Wednesday, she fell into a tiger trap in Malaysia and has been trying to get out ever since. The Postman drops his mail bag right on her head, but she says that it is no reason to stop your correspondence. She needs just 76,224,125,982 more letters until she can climb out, and meanwhile has taken to snacking on postage stamps. She finds the Elvis ones the most tasty.

Please, help free her with a flood of questions. We'll do our part to make sure that they will get to her. Send all documents to the Features Section at the Johns Hopkins News-Letter which is located in the historic and picturesque Gatehouse (creative birthplace of trouser lint). If you find that you cannot put pen to paper, you may also put finger to keyboard and reach us electronically through the computer system. Our address is newslett@jhunix.hcf.jhu.edu.

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'House Special'

by Jamie Poush

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Bizarroscopes

Special Spring Break Edition

ARIES

(March 21-April 19)

Well, you've come through the first part of the semester and Spring Break is in sight. Your stars dictate that you should avoid water. This rules out island beach vacations, warm climate swimming pools, and even snow boarding, skiing, and ice skating (we all know how dangerous that sport can be). You should also avoid tropical drinks with shaved ice, spring water, and showers.

Watch "Lawrence of Arabia" on video, read about the French foreign legion, wear ripped hem cut-offs, pour sand in your underwear and cultivate that sun-parched look. Come back and be wry, and make the people say "What a dry person!" as your desiccated body passes by.

TAURUS

(April 20-May 20)

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GEMINI

(May 21 - June 20)

How are you going to pack in all the fun you can stand during Spring Break? Make sure you pack in the right baggage. No, this isn't a Louis Vuitton advertisement, nor is it a brochure from REI. The usual procedure is to take all of your stuff, only in smaller versions. This would be acceptable travel behavior, but not for the Gemini. After all, why does the Gemini need a miniature husband cushion? Everyone should hate those on principle anyway. No, the Gemini should travel unfettered and free carrying only what can fit in a damp baggy. Or bring your parents.

CANCER

(June 21 - July 22)

The Cancer has been finding her way into bad weather recently. Your starcast suggests rough seas ahead. Literally. Tidal waves. Typhoons. Maelstroms. Tsunami. Apparently this may pose a threat even if you head toward Ohio. I don't know how, but surf's up dude. May I recommend a good rain slicker and some cozy hundred foot Wellingtons?

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(December 22 - January 19)

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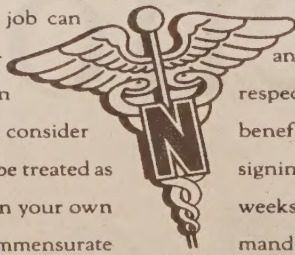
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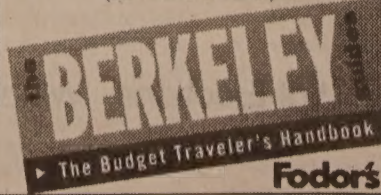
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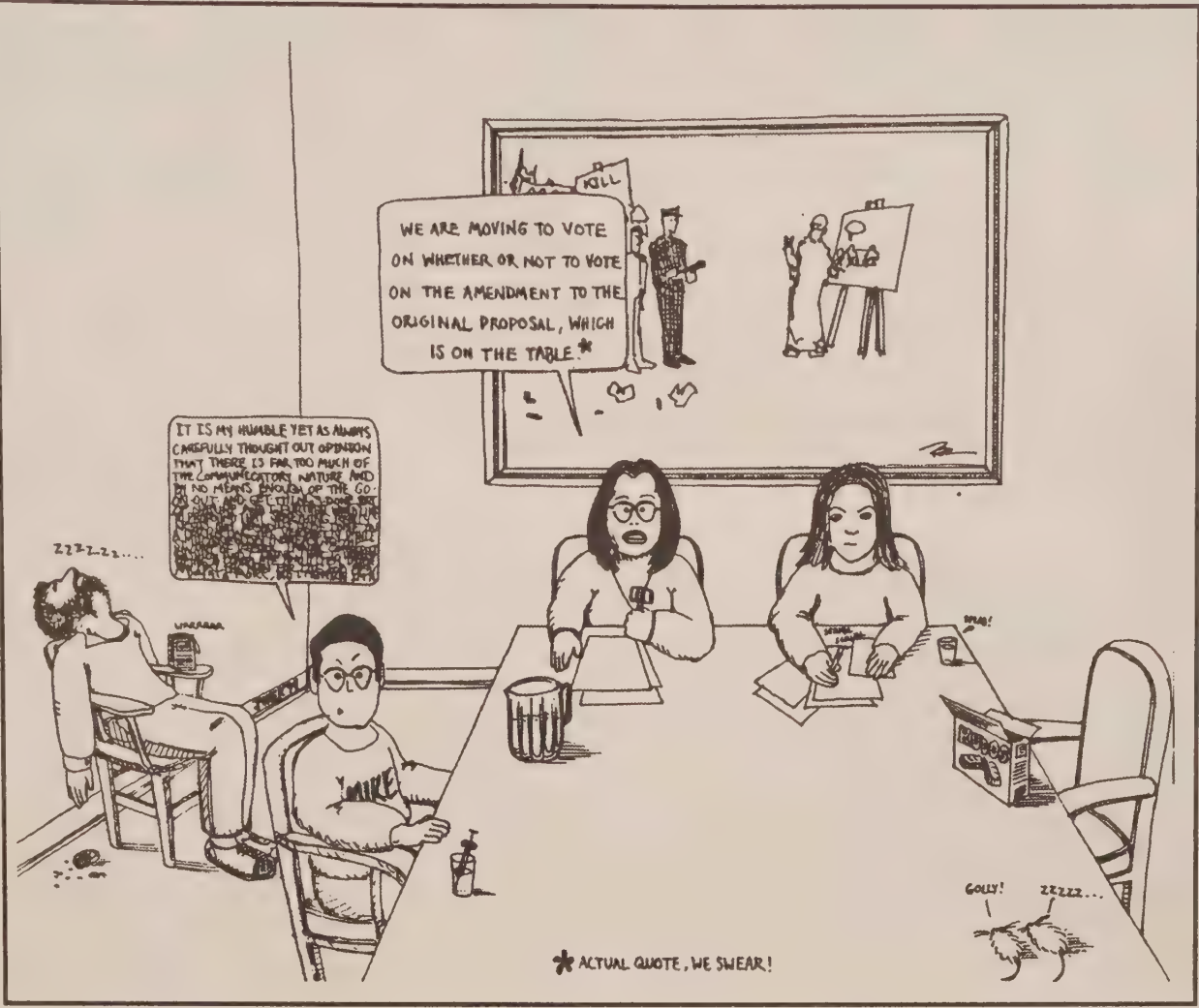
Realistically Correct Communication Breakdown

by Michael Wilson

I was one of the hundreds of people who crowded into AMR I's claustrophobic TV room to witness last week's candidate forum. I regret to say that the venue for this event was painfully inadequate. But while the size of the crowd was clearly not anticipated and the exchange between the candidates at times rose to a fevered pitch, the security present and Board of Elections Chair Jeremy Hancock did well to keep things in order and under control.

I didn't attend the forum with the intention of gathering material for this week's column. In fact, I'm not exactly sure what I was thinking when I made the decision to brave the crowds on that Tuesday night. Maybe it was the desire to show my school spirit and make my presence known to those who will be shepherding the student body through the turmoil and controversies of our next academic year, or maybe it was the clever advertising, or maybe it was some deep seated nostalgia for the Rush Events of last month spurred by the promise of "Free Food." Whatever the case, I was somehow compelled to go. And while I was in the audience struggling for elbow room, I, along with the other dozen or so people in attendance, was struck by the complete dominance of one recurring theme throughout the discussion. This dominant theme was "the need for better communication between the student council and the student body." I would attribute that quote to one candidate in particular, but at least six of the ten candidates said something to that effect, if not that exactly, throughout the course of their statements. Many cited that as their primary goal for next year and discussed their means for achieving it. No candidate questioned the importance of such an objective. I do.

Being a council member myself, I am very aware of its many successes and failures. I am also aware of the potential for even greater success. However, such success could easily be undermined by the gradual metamorphosis of the Student Council from a body working selflessly and tirelessly on behalf of the interests of the student body toward a public relations mechanism in service of the egos residing on council. While neither of these characterizations is an accurate or a plausible representation of the current state of the student government at Hopkins, in many ways, they represent the extremes of the broad continuum that maps the philosophical prioritization of council. At one extreme is the need to get things done, to tackle



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issues, initiate programs, and provide service. At the other extreme is the need to talk about these things, to publicize issues, to promote programs, and to acknowledge service that has been done. Effort directed toward either one of these extremes is completely ineffective if it is undertaken without consideration for the other.

A productive, but self-absorbed student council will fail in its mission for a variety of reasons. First, because of its isolation from the student body, it will become detached from the ideas and concerns of the very people it is representing. Production is in vain if the product does not

fill the needs of the consumer. Second, for Student Council to succeed, it must work in partnership with the student body. The elected representatives are merely a framework around which a larger body of production can be built. An isolated Student Council cuts itself off from its greatest resource, the student body.

Next, a successful Student Council must exist as an avenue of information. Important issues flounder when they are not sufficiently broadcast to the school community. Programs and events fail when they are not adequately publicized. Finally, good works must be recog-

nized. Contempt and cynicism benefit no one. People are more likely to support a group and its efforts if they have some sense that the group is actually benefiting them or their community somehow. An inevitable component in establishing this sense is some sort of self promotion. It's not pretty, but it must be done.

Having said all that, it would appear that the current trend of emphasis on communication should be looked on favorably. And in some respects, it should. However, what should exist as a constant consideration is evolving into a primary objective. While communication is important the effort directed toward that end cannot surpass the attention given to the substantive problems facing council. Fortunately, it doesn't have to. A healthy relationship between the student council and the student body can easily be achieved through mechanisms already in place on council. There is a Communications Committee whose only responsibility is developing that relationship. This committee, along with the Student Council Secretary, publishes the Student Council Newsletter, *The Communique*, and organizes Student Council Awareness Week. Unfortunately these aren't currently being used to their fullest potential. Another opportunity for enhanced communication is increased cooperation between Student Council and the campus publications. There seems to be a promising move in this direction already.

What must not happen is the sacrifice of substance in favor of image. Any good PR gained at the expense of actual accomplishment will be transparent and short-lived. Such PR is contrary to the fundamental mission of council. It will ultimately backfire. Imagine a candidate's forum with hundreds of people actually in attendance. There's communication. But it would be in vain if the candidates had nothing to say.

Calling the Spin 'Mullaney Scapegoats Gays'?

by Michael Mullaney

"Mullaney Scapegoats Gays for Decline in U.S." Wrong. In my mock gay marriage piece, I was not scapegoating the individual homosexual. What I was scapegoating was the "ANYTHING GOES" moral relativism and the elements of "modern counterculture" in our society which have led many "liberals" to think that there is absolutely nothing wrong with thrusting homosexuality. But I guess I am homophobic and fascist to think that marriage should be between a man and a woman and not a man and a man. I guess I am also "unenlightened" in opposing the circulation of propaganda such as "Heather has Two Mommies" and "Daddy's Roommate" to children in America's schools under the guise of multiculturalist diversity.

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sary to shove their agenda down society's throat while whittling away at traditional institutions and mores of American culture? The answer goes back to my whole point in writing that gay marriage piece. Since the sixties, rebellion against America's mainstream and its social fabric has become popular. What kind of social liberalism has taken place since the sixties? Here's what kind: 1) Rather than discipline their children and attempt to show right from wrong, parents ceased giving children a solid moral foundation; without a clear set of rules, children didn't learn the values they should have learned. 2) Relativism and the religion of "do whatever you wish so long as it is pleasurable" became cool; speaking about absolute morality and "right and wrong" became prudish. 3) Disrespect for any symbol of authority whether it was one's family, one's religion, or one's country was also cool. 4) Drug use became popular and the Sexual Revolution took hold. America's youth could be as "free" as they liked without apology.

In the nineties, then, is the breakdown of the family a surprise? Is rising drug use? Is the lack of moral direction and the feeling of hopelessness on the part of many young members of our own "lost generation"? Is it a surprise that the counterculture has seeped into culture? Sixties radical Clinton is a perfect example of the typical relativist becoming mainstream. (Does Clinton still see nothing wrong with cheating on one's spouse?) Is the original mainstream now regarded as a group of uncool, boring people who go to work every day, love their country, and try to live life with some common morality or decency? Well, I for one will keep standing up for those uncool, boring people. I will be proud to do so because those people and their values made America the greatest country in the history of the world.

Message to the Ghost of Features Past:

Calling me a "gay basher" while demonstrating your own underlying bigotry against Catholics showed that "liberals" such as yourself aren't always liberal. But I am certain that not many people at this university will object to your portrayal of Catholic priests as child molesters because such Catholic bashing, cloaked in the rhetoric of liberal P.C., goes undenounced in today's post-modern enlightened age. Dave, keep your bigotry and keep missing the point. I'll keep calling the spin. Poof.

One last point:

One of the persons attacking me in Letters to the Editor last week put me in the same category as K.T. Carroll. Let me say that, although I do not personally know Mr. Carroll, I am honored to be in any category with a student who, in his recent writings, so eloquently upheld the reputation of the men who have given up their own lives in keeping America strong and free. Thanks K.T.

Security Commits a Gross Injustice

by Mark Desgrosseilliers

Those who ride the Security van regularly probably noted the absence of a familiar face in the driver's seat this week. John Schwabland, who served the Hopkins community for nine years (since the shuttle service began) had his employment unexpectedly terminated last Friday. He came to the office expecting to work, only to be rather unceremoniously informed that this would be his last weekend of employment; no advance notice, no signs of appreciation for the years of service, nothing. With his characteristic grace and good will, Mr. John finished the shift which he had been assigned, picking up passengers until 3 a.m., accepting what can at best be considered shoddy treatment, without a fuss.

To many of his passengers, Mr. John was the older gentleman who drove them from point A to point B. To his fellow workers,

and to those "regulars" who knew him well, Mr. John was a friend. Always willing to shoot the breeze, frequently bearing gifts of food and drink that were very much appreciated by the driver trying to stay awake, Mr. John was a tremendous asset to the shuttle service. On many weekend nights, not an easy time to get anyone to drive, Mr. John gladly came in, often working up to 10 hours, to make sure there were enough vans on the road, and to make sure that the students did not have to wait an obscene amount of time to safely get from place to place. He truly cared about the students at this university, and always treated them with a respect that they did not always deserve.

The "powers that be" in the Security Department can perhaps give some legitimate reasons for firing Mr. John, and I would be very interested in hearing them. However, they can never justify the manner in which they chose to end Mr. John's relationship with Hopkins. It was and is simply inhuman and unjust. The Director of Security and the officer in charge of the

shuttle service may still be able to make things right by giving Mr. John the recognition and the thanks that he has earned for his service to this university.

The students and staff who know Mr. John, whether as a friend or simply as the man who made sure they got home safely, might want to make sure he gets this recognition and thanks. I apologize to Mr. John for making such a big deal about this. He wouldn't want the fuss. But this is something at this university that is wrong, and it is something that we can make at least a little better. Anyone who shares my concern should either arrange an appointment with Security Director Ronald Mullen and Officer Patrick Berry (by calling the Security Office at 516-8700), or send these gentlemen a letter. They may have little respect for their employees, but they will respond to student pressure.

—Mark Desgrosseilliers is a senior.

Clinton's Best Bet: Covert Aid to the Bosnian Muslims

by David Savolaine

Rarely in my life have I hoped that someone not tell me the truth, whole and unbiased. I am one who prefers to know what goes on that involves me, my future, my tax dollars, and my friends. I advocate "sunshine laws," laws designed to force disclosure of government documents when they are necessary for court proceedings. I generally distrust government operations that involve "misinformation programs" and treat the public like pawns.

But just this once, I am praying that President Clinton, the C.I.A., or some other government agency is doing something behind our backs to help the Bosnian Muslims in their struggle against their neighbors. They are effectively alone in this struggle, although the recent peace agreement between the Croatian Bosnians and the Bosnian Muslims means that they are now fighting one fewer neighbor.

The reason that the aid would have to be behind the back of the Congress and the American people is because public deliberations on the subject would draw the attention of a Europe that would be more than happy to see the

last strongly Muslim community on the continent, other than Albania and part of Turkey, be wiped off the map. It is probable that the countries friendly to us in Europe do not want the US involved in this conflict, nor do they want any substantial UN plans that would prevent the inevitable destruction of the Muslim states.

There is much evidence that indicates this passive acceptance of "ethnic cleansing" in Europe. In a *New York Times* article on August 6, 1992, columnist Leslie Gelb related the responses he received when he asked Western military officials about their objectives in Bosnia. He wrote that the policy as explained by the officials was to feed the Bosnian Muslims while "prompting them to surrender." Gelb said, "Let me be chillingly blunt about what Western officials told me regarding the Balkan crisis. They said that nothing they are doing or plan to do is at all likely to compel the Serbs to stop killing Muslims."

Some might think that the recent shooting down of Serbian planes that violated the No-Fly Zone would point to a caring streak in the UN and Allied forces in the region. But as the *Wall Street Journal* pointed out in the same story that announced the clash, over 2000 similar viola-

tions of the No-Fly Zone (although most of them involved helicopters) were not prevented since the inception of the zone policy.

The Vance-Owen peace plan that, had it been accepted, would have divided Bosnia into 10 provinces with a weak central government, was also a weak plan. It would have given the program of "ethnic cleansing" and its territorial gains ratification in the eyes of the world. "Ethnic cleansing" would have become an internal matter, out of the jurisdiction of the UN, and partially fragmented the currently united Muslim forces. There was no establishment in the Vance-Owen plan of a third party to preserve the peace and prevent racial killings during the transition period. It may not have been an intentional attempt to allow the racial conflict to continue, but it would not have stopped it, and this perhaps was its appeal in Serbia.

The threat of air strikes has not been enough even to prevent Serbian attacks against UN soldiers. In late July of 1993, artillery attacks were made by Serbs against a French UN unit. No military retaliation was made against the Serbs. The NATO allies could not agree on the air strikes it had threatened to make earlier should such an event occur. It amazes me that

we won't even defend our own soldiers. Why won't NATO retaliate? I have an idea why, and it's not pretty.

When asked, the European officials are fairly adamant that they do not want the US leading the efforts in this conflict. John Burns of the *New York Times* was told by a UN officer that "This is a European conflict, and we don't need the Americans to tell us how to handle it." Do visions of the Crusades and campaigns against the Ottoman Empire start popping into your mind as they do mine? I'm truly afraid of how the Europeans would "handle" it.

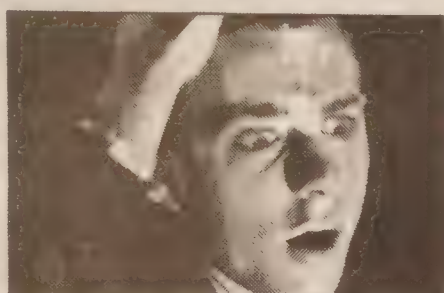
The best recourse I can think of is for President Clinton to arm the Muslims covertly, without telling Europe, Congress, or the American people. He may be doing that already, which might explain why the Muslims are still in Bosnia now. If he is, God/ Yahweh / Allah / Buddha/ the Great Spirit bless him. But to make sure that he knew how this constituent felt, I e-mailed him on the subject. My idea for the week is for those of you who feel as strongly as I to write him as well. His e-mail address, I'm told, is "president@whitehouse.gov" so let him know what you think.

—David Savolaine is a junior.

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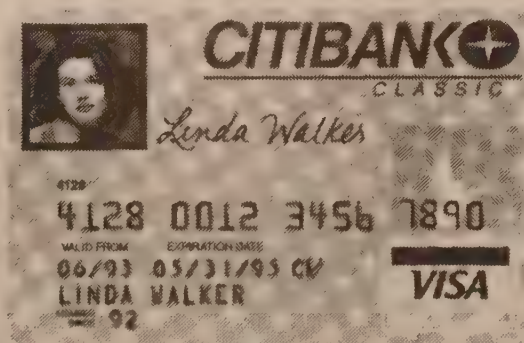
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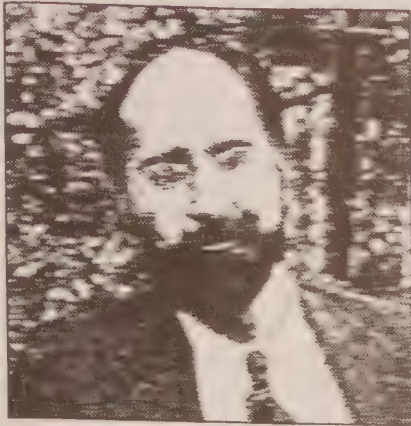
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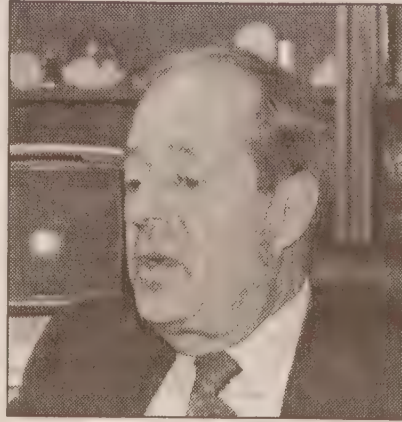


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Behind the Scenes Reflecting on Season Opener

by Mark Dixon

It was opening day. A beautiful day, a great crowd, and an opponent that would make for a good game. All the makings of a classic, right?

At least it's over.

In case you missed it, the final on Saturday read Princeton 20, Johns Hopkins 11. It was our worst loss since 1988, when Syracuse defeated the Blue Jays 19-7.

The difference in this game proved to be the three guys that we knew we had to neutralize in order to win. Tiger All-Americans Reinhardt, Lowe, and Bacigalupo played like their earned monikers on Saturday. Reinhardt and Lowe, a midfielder and attackman respectively, combined for fifteen of the twenty goals. Bacigalupo, the second coming of Christ in the form of a goalie, seemed to have divinity on his side on this particular day. He stopped seventeen Blue Jay shots, the majority in spectacular fashion, en route to earning the respect of every player and coach of Hopkins.

Despite the setback, we had several bright spots. Terry Riordan registered five goals, while Chris Macon had a nice game offensively, scoring four. Peter Jacobs turned in a fantastic effort, controlling most of the face offs while playing solid defense and scooping up thirteen ground balls. Freshman Werner Krueger also turned in a gritty performance, collecting five ground balls.

In retrospect, I can say that it was a really long day. But what we are experiencing right now can be summed up in two words: growing pains. We feature a brand new defense that is still learning. After Saturday, the biggest thing these guys could use right now is a healthy dose of confidence. Offensively, we are getting great shots. We need to connect more if we are to be successful. Both things will materialize in time. There is no way any other team should hold us to less than thirteen to fifteen goals a game.

All of these things will, hopefully, begin to fall into place this week. On Wednesday we traveled to Washington College, a tough, scrappy, and talented Division III team. On Saturday, we go up to Rutgers to meet a much improved Scarlet Knight ball club. Both are extremely tough, but if there is a part of our schedule that we can use to rebound, this is it. Look for increased scoring on our part and fewer goals for our opponents in both contests. A goal that we have set for these two games is to hold each of these teams to less than ten goals. Also, look for less turnovers on our part. On Saturday, that killed us.

As a team, we were definitely outplayed on Saturday. But after reviewing the game film, we proved to be our own worst enemy. Mental mistakes cost us a great deal, and against an experienced team like Princeton, that can be fatal. We are, however, nothing but excited to get back out on Wednesday and earn win number one for 1994.

One final note. Many thanks to all of the fans who came out to support us on Saturday. Despite the end result of the game, opening day was still a day that none of us will soon forget due to your support. We hope to see you again on March 19th when we host the always impressive Syracuse Orangemen. Hopefully, I will have two victories to talk about next week before we get to them.



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Luke Busby unleashes his jumper for the very last time against Lebanon Valley in the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

End of the Road

Men's Basketball Falls to Lebanon Valley in NAAs

by Justin Yuen

The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

The sun finally set upon the five seniors. Mike Rotay, Luke Busby, Matt Jennings, Lou Sabad, and Frank Grzywacz saw their careers come to a close last Saturday night as the men's basketball team lost 48-58 to Lebanon Valley in the second round of the NCAA Division III Tournament.

1992-1993 and 1993-1994. Both winter seasons ended similarly for Bill Nelson's troops. For the past two years, the men's basketball team has faced to Lebanon Valley in their first NCAA Tournament game. Last season, the Blue Jays ended their campaign with two consecutive losses to Lebanon Valley. The first loss occurred in the Middle Atlantic Conference playoffs (54-58), while the second took place in the NCAA Tournament (49-53).

After falling to Franklin & Marshall last week in the final of the Centennial Conference championships, the team was looking to bounce back by advancing past the second round of the NAAs for the first time since 1990 when they reached the Final 16. Unfortunately, the same problem plagued them in their latest effort to defeat Lebanon Valley: poor shooting.

The Game

No one on the Blue Jays was able to score more than three baskets during the game. The shooting percentages were nightmarish: Rotay, one for six, Jennings, two for seven, Busby, three for 12, Grzywacz, three for 11, and Sabad, three for seven. Combined, Hopkins shot 30.2% from the floor. In their other two losses, the team also shot in the 30% range.

Hopkins led 15-11 early on, but they simply couldn't get it going. Everything went downhill from there. Throughout the game, seemingly easy layups turned into nail-biting spectacles. Grzywacz and Sabad went up strong on many occasions, only to see the ball roll dizzily around the rim before falling outside the basket. Additionally, Lebanon Valley players were fouled more times than Hopkins players, contributing to a 13 point deficit regarding points scored on foul shots (11 for 15 for JHU; 24 for 34 for LV).

Why did Hopkins shoot so poorly? "I think it was because of their ability to shut off our inside game," Nelson responded. "We weren't able to score inside as well as we had in the past. We weren't getting clear outside shots, which made us tentative outside. Their defense did a

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Blue Jays Rocked in Opener Against Princeton

by Justin Yuen

The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

It was an idyllic setting. Sunny skies, a bustling crowd of 5711 people, and two great teams on the playing field. Unfortunately, seemingly without warning, the image was suddenly shattered.

Minutes into the second quarter during last Saturday's season opener with Princeton University, the Hopkins faithful was stunned into silence as the Tigers opened up a seven goal lead, 2-9. Later, the fans got back in it and were encouraged when at the start of the second half, the men's lacrosse team came out pumped up and ready to spit out the bad taste left in their mouths by the first half.

Sadly, it wasn't to be. They quickly scored a goal, but Princeton responded by unleashing a devastating onslaught of six consecutive unanswered goals, running the score to 6-16. "They knew how to kick the dog when he was down," Chris Macon jokingly said.

Hopkins' momentum evaporated. This broke their back, eliminating any hopes of coming back. Hopkins, trailing a team by ten goals in its home opener? Are you kidding?

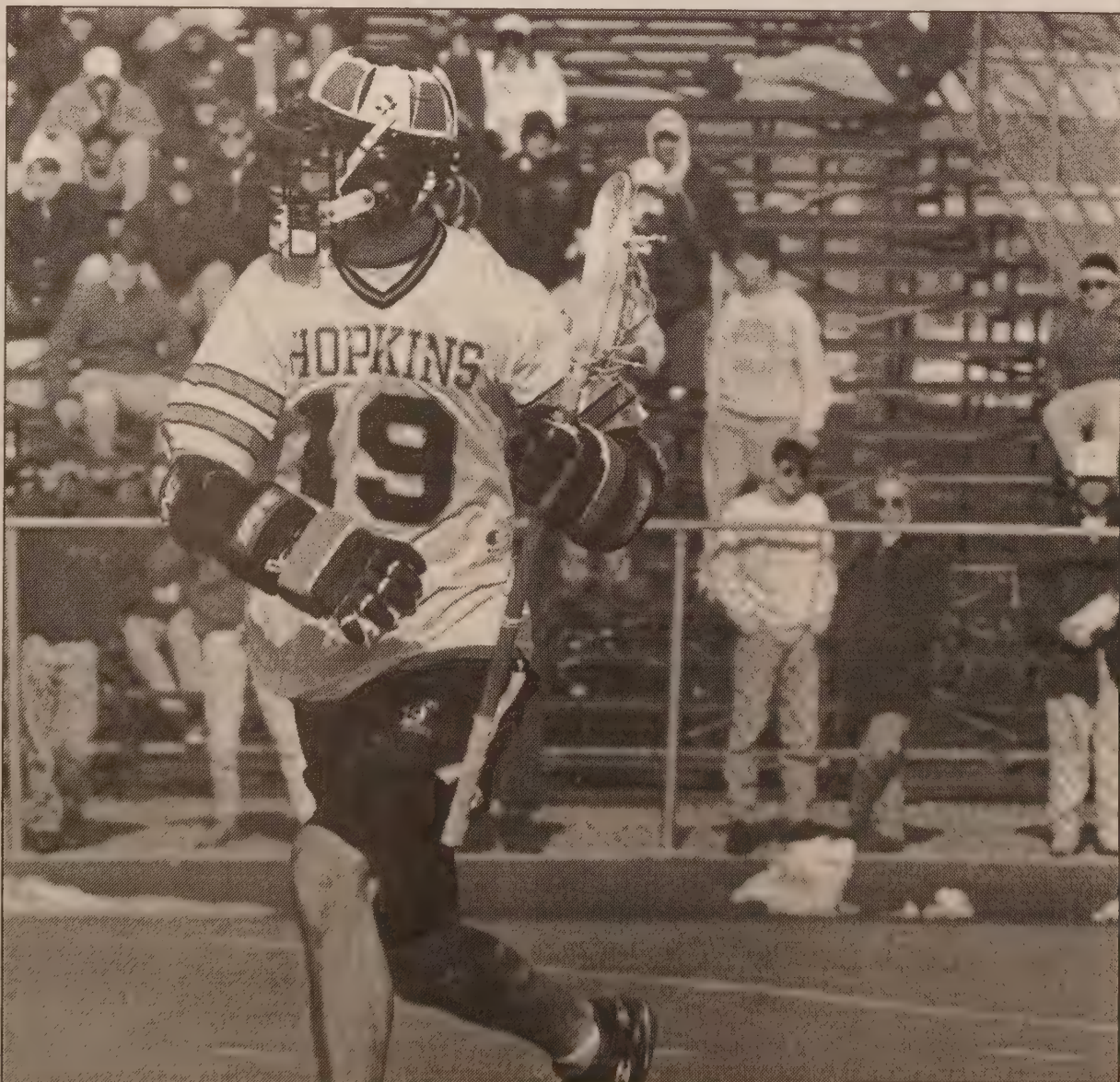
Hopkins ultimately lost, 11-20. Actually, the outcome of the game wouldn't have been as surprising if everyone had examined the team closely and what head coach Tony Seaman had been saying all along. The defense is inexperienced. It will take time for the team to gel. All of this was known, but the shocking thing was seeing it happening in real life.

Seaman pointed out, "Everything they shot in the first quarter went in. It's real hard to come back against a real veteran team like they are. We knew before the game that this was a tremendously tough team to start the season with so much inexperience that we have."

High Points

Overlooked by many was Blue Jay attackman Terry Riordan's effort which resulted in five goals. He fired the ball into the net with authority on the occasions when he was open. Junior middle Macon emerged as a serious scoring threat with his four goals. The transfer from Hobart used his quickness to get into position on numerous occasions.

Midfielder Peter Jacobs stood head and shoulders above the crowd, both figuratively and literally. The 6' 5" junior dominated the face-offs, winning 16 of 25 face-offs, proving



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In one of the few bright spots of the day, attackman Terry Riordan racked up five goals against Princeton.

himself to be a more than adequate replacement for Steve Vecchione, who graduated last year. Bill Tierney, head coach of Princeton, remarked, "The guy I was most impressed with was Jacobs. He fought, scrapped, and just beat us off the face-offs."

Analysis

Hopkins showed a little nervousness in their first game of the year. This fact was quite evident as the defense unfortunately showed their inexperience. Sophomore goalkeeper

Jonathan Marcus looked a bit tight early on, but he loosened up a bit, making 16 saves in the process; however, at times he appeared to lose

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Sports

Athlete of the Week
Amy Dodrill

by Hadley Kruczek
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Trying to write about this week's Athlete of the Week is difficult given the fact that she talks more about the team and her teammates rather than her own performance. But, essentially, this team-player attitude makes junior guard Amy Dodrill an even better athlete, and as a result, it is only fitting that she earn Athlete of the Week honors.

Although the 1993-94 women's basketball season finished on a not so spectacular note with a defeat at the hands of Moravian College in the ECAC tournament last Thursday, Dodrill ended the season with a bang, scoring 32 points. This was a surprise for Dodrill, for she didn't even know she scored that much until someone told her a few days later. She commented, "Well, I'm usually more worried about the team—not my individual score. I just happened to be on that night." She added, "It's hard to judge my performance over the season, it's all dependent on each game."

Dodrill's team-high season average of 16.6 points led the team to a 16-9 winning record, easily improving on last year's average of 10.2 points and 11-11 final team record. Dodrill explained this

season's success, "We were more of a team this year than last year. And we definitely had more fun this year." She added that next year will be even better: "All of the younger players got awesome experience this year, and we'll have seniors who will have a lot too." The team, however, will greatly miss sole graduating senior guard and co-captain Katie Shvartsman with her excellent defensive skills and leadership abilities. Dodrill said, "You can't say that we're only losing Katie—I mean, Katie's Katie... Fran [Hewes] will take over that position, and she has the quickness—but she's not Katie." Dodrill, along with the entire Blue Jay community, will miss Shvartsman as well, but look for Dodrill to take the reins as far as leadership on the court is concerned. But team-focused Dodrill didn't say anything about her role as leader—only about the fine quality of her co-captain.

If Dodrill seems like she enjoys the game, it's not surprising considering the fact that she has played the game for what she terms as "forever." She said, "I've played basketball since I was a little kid. I love basketball. My father instilled in me a love of the game." And it definitely shows. She added, "When I play basketball, it takes me away from the rest of the world."

And for someone so focused on basketball, it's surprising that she has



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Amy Dodrill scores season high of 32 points against Moravian.

time for anything else. But evidently she finds the time—for a lot. After her final basketball game, she took one day off and started practice with the varsity tennis team. And according to Coach Russell Rogers, she will start at the number two or three singles spot next week in matches against Navy and Haverford.

Off the court, she enjoys mountain biking, skiing, and soccer. Here at Hopkins, she serves as an admissions representative, and is the former president of Delta Gamma Sorority. Currently, Amy is a Bio-medical Engineering major and hopes to become a pediatric surgeon.

From the Bleachers
A Land of Opportunity

by Mike Rosenstein

Talk about possibilities. Senate Majority Leader. Supreme Court Justice. Major League Baseball Commissioner. This truly is the land of opportunities. When the son of Greek immigrants who lives in a tiny corner of the country is given these kind of choices, you have to love this country.

As soon as Maine's George Mitchell announced last Friday that he was not going to seek another term in the Senate, a whole world of opportunities opened up for him. He could sit on the highest court in the land and literally shape the course of the nation. Or he could help reconstruct the country's pastime. Or he can just sit back and cherish the wonderful career he had in serving his country (after all, he's earned it, especially after having to deal with the Bush and Clinton Administrations). But Senator Mitchell is not the kind of man to quietly step aside; he is man of the people, a consensus-builder who wants to stay active. And he loves baseball. So which way does he go?

Obviously, no one could blame him for wanting to sit on the Supreme Court. As a politician, it would be the achievement and the chance of a lifetime. With Justice Harry Blackmun talking retirement, and Clinton's first choice (Mario Cuomo) already out of the picture, Mitchell would be perfect for the job. Politically speaking, he sees eye-to-eye with Clinton on most major issues, and he's only 60, which would keep a liberal Democrat on the bench for a good 10-15 years, something the Democrats would love to have. And as a Supreme Court Justice, he couldn't ask for more job security or more opportunity to make a difference.

There's just something about baseball in this country that makes people do things that most rational individuals wouldn't think of. Before I go any further, I should mention that Mitchell is a die-hard and life-long Red Sox fan, and he knows the team owner John Harrington extremely well. So any decision he makes has to be taken with a grain of salt because as we all know, Red Sox fans are masochistic and downright maniacal at times. Trust me; I speak from 20 years of experience.

Anyway, Mitchell has also developed a very close relationship with acting commissioner Bud Selig. The two met after Fay Vincent resigned as commissioner September 7, 1992 and Mitchell was mentioned as a possible successor. But he never had any formal interview and no job offer was ever forthcoming. Once Selig assumed the reign of control, the entire process of finding a new commissioner has gone about as fast as a Charlie Hough knuckleball. To say that the baseball owners have been dragging their feet is

a grave understatement; instead they have been too concerned with negotiating television contracts, expansion, and adding a new round of playoffs. Let's face it, in baseball, money talks.

The problem is the owners want a person who will be willing to accept the commissioner's office with a reduction in power (the commissioner can no longer act "in the best interests of the game") and who will be willing to concede some general operating control to the owners. But even Selig is smart enough to realize the potential for having Mitchell as commissioner. As I said before, Mitchell is a consensus-builder who would be willing to work with the owners and not against them. He would also bring in years of experience as a negotiator and politician, which would be most helpful in dealing with Congress and the anti-trust exemptions the owners cherish so much. In fact, the job is Mitchell's—all he has to do is ask.

Right now, no one knows for sure which way Mitchell is leaning. Or if they do, they aren't talking. It is conceivable that there are other possibilities that the public doesn't even know. Senator Mitchell has been quite secretive in his future plans. Last Friday, staffers in his office in Washington weren't talking to anyone—specifically reporters and politicians about the Senator's plans. But this much is known: while the Mitchell office was operating under a cloak of secrecy, Mitchell made it a point of calling up Selig Friday morning to inform him of his intended plans. And when reporters finally got a hold of him on Capitol Hill Friday afternoon and asked him about becoming baseball commissioner, Mitchell said nothing as his face lit up like a little boy on Christmas morning.

In the end, Mitchell, like any of us, has to do what will make him happiest and follow his heart. Frankly, it can go either way right now. Personally, I think he is more intrigued by the possibility of being commissioner only because he truly loves the game and it would be a break from politics, in which he's spent his entire life. With the power that the Supreme Court can offer, how; ever, it's just too close to call for now. But this much is known - he can't go wrong no matter what he decides. Either way, he'll be happy, and either way, we'll be hearing his name for many years to come.

On a side note, I would like to pay my respects to John Candy, a fine actor and a wonderful human being. No matter what he was doing, he always had the ability to make people laugh and forget about their problems for a little while. This is a rare gift that few possess. He will be missed by one and all. One last round of Orange Whips for everyone, on the house.

Lady Jays Drop to Moravian in Semifinals
Women's Basketball Ends 1993-94 Season with a Fair 16-9 Record

by Vaughan Stephens
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Despite the scoring heroics of Amy Dodrill, the Blue Jays couldn't carry off a victory in their East Coast Athletic Conference semifinal game against Moravian College (20 wins, seven losses) last Friday night.

The loss brought the Lady Jays' season (16-9) to a close, ending a four-game winning streak. Hopkins fairly dominated their opponents in that period, outscoring them 291-225 and rekindling their once-fading post-season hopes.

Moravian, before a hometown crowd of 412, had no intentions of letting those hopes stand. Putting on a field-goal clinic in the second half, the Moravian Cagers snuffed out the Hopkins campaign.

Dodrill, who drilled home a season-high 32 points, helped Hopkins grab a five-point half-time lead. Coming out quickly, the Blue Jays hit nearly 44% of their shots in the first twenty minutes.

The Blue Jays had an opportunity to put Moravian away early, but early foul trouble kept their opponents in it. Moravian cashed in eleven points from free throws, missing only one from the charity stripe all half.

Moravian star Sue Zimmerman was especially effective from the line, going eight for eight. Her team ended up sinking almost 84% of the shots they took from the foul line.

After managing to escape the first half trailing by only five, the Moravian squad came out of the locker room ready to play. They quickly jumped on top of the less-experienced Hopkins team, sinking a remarkable 50% of their second-half baskets.

Not expecting the onslaught, Hopkins started losing its composure. According to senior Katie Shvartsman, this has been a problem the team has faced all year. "If we were losing by a lot, we'd try to make it all up at once," she generalized about the season.

The depth of Moravian's bench also contributed mightily to Hopkins' loss. No fewer than six players hit double-

digits for their team, compared to three for the Blue Jays.

Defensively, Lori Leonard was the standout for the Jays. Collecting 12 rebounds, 5 offensive and 7 defensive,

Dodrill's emergence as a star this season also bodes well. Shvartsman said of her, "She's outstanding. She's a great shooter—she knows when and where to take shots, and should be a top player in the league."

she led the team. Leonard also contributed 15 points to the losing effort. The Moravian women proved too

stiff a challenge defensively as well. Out-rebounding Hopkins 47-36, they didn't leave the Jays much room to play.

Still, the team was satisfied with their performance. "We played great," Shvartsman said. "They [Moravian] just got on a run." Staying in the game was gratifying, she added, since Moravian has a history of "killing" the Blue Jays.

Preparations for next season have already commenced. Expected to assume more importance next season are Robyn Runge and Fran Hewes. Both have had the benefit of seeing some playing time this season, so the team should do well next year.

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The Jays' unexpected success this year was a welcome surprise to the entire team. Tune in next year, and things should be even more exciting.

Hopkins Baseball Set for the Florida Sun
Jays Travel to Cocoa Beach en Route to an Exciting, Winning Season

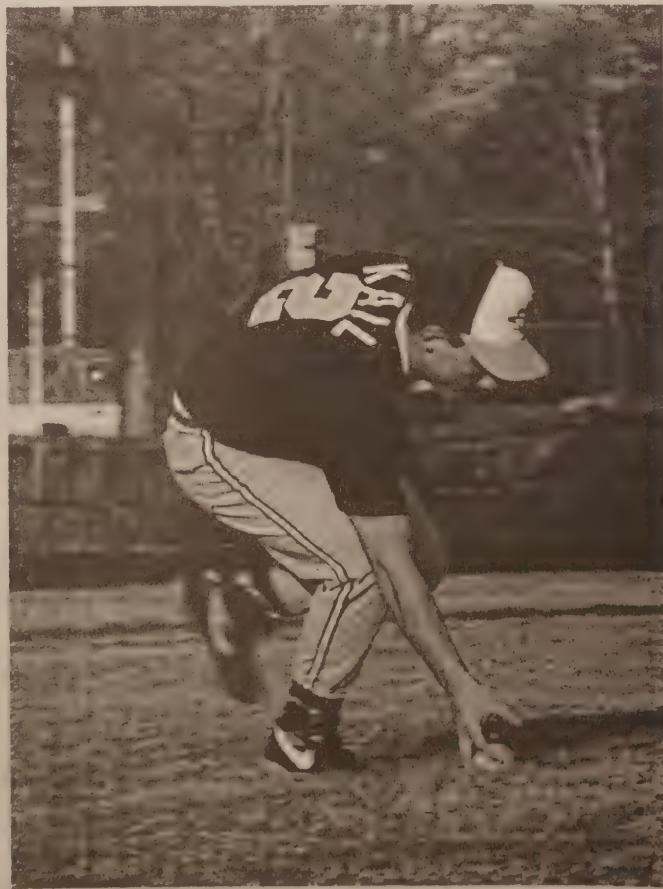
by Joe Ismert
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Spring is here, and along with it comes baseball and everything that it brings—the sweet smell of freshly cut grass, the sound of the wind whistling through the backstop, small dust tornadoes speeding from first to second, the crunching of the cleats in the dugout, and the pitter-pat of the mitts popping during warm-ups. It was Monday, March 7—a great day for baseball. There was a slight breeze to carry the ball, the sun was shining, and the weather was warm enough to wear t-shirts and shorts. Unfortunately, the field wasn't as willing as the weather to begin the season for the Johns Hopkins baseball team.

Disappointing, yes, but not disheartening. The baseball team traveled to Florida on Thursday morning to start their season away from home at the UAA tournament in Cocoa, Florida. Hopefully, the south will be more agreeable for the team, and they will actually get to play. Featuring, a big inning offense, the Blue Jays hope to take the tournament again this year. Tri-captain and third baseman Jay Webber put this year's offense in perspective, "Although we have a lot of new faces this season, I think that everyone has adjusted well. We are going to put a lot of runs on the board. As a matter of fact, we don't have enough places in the lineup to accommodate all of our hitters. There are a lot of good sticks that are going to have to come off of the bench."

All five years that the tournament has been held, the Blue Jays have won. With that kind of history, other teams are going to come out and play tough against Hopkins. The tournament runs in a round-robin format with each team playing all of the other teams once and the best record takes the crown.

Florida is definitely going to be a



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Men's Baseball looking forward to a strong season, beginning with the UAA Tournament in Florida.

test for our pitching staff. The ace this year should be tri-captain Ryan Rippin. Coming off of an 8-2 record with a 2.88 ERA last year, Rippin proved to be the go-to guy. With 72 innings pitched last season, Rippin more than tripled the amount of playing time of the pitcher with the second most innings pitched (Ouska with 23.1). Rippin said, "In

Florida, everyone is going to start one game. So there are going to be a few inexperienced arms being put out there on the mound in a big time situation for the first time. The potential is there. Expect to see a lot of hard throwing, live arms with good stuff. Some guys are going to have to step up."

Out of the pen, Senior Nate Jayne

should be the primary closer. Although he doesn't have the overpowering stuff that many relievers have, he mixes it up well, and his experience should prove to be the difference as the Jays play down the stretch. Good fall seasons were also turned in by freshmen pitchers Geoff Kruczek (1.89 ERA) and Chris Hocker (2.18 ERA).

The Blue Jays showcase a tough double play combination and good defense up the middle. Shortstop Joe Kail was named among the top 10 major league prospects in Division III by *Baseball America*. Although the team doesn't possess much power or speed, they display a solid team with many good all around players.

"I'm not going to be surprised if this team can string together nine hits in a row. There is a lot of line drive hitters on this ball club. We are not going to have to scratch for runs, our ability to bring runners around with hits will keep us from trying to manufacture runs," said senior Jay Webber. Like this year, last year the team didn't get any games in before going down to Florida, but they stepped off of the plane and onto the field and played like they knew they could. Right-handed hurler, Ryan Rippin commented on the team's position this year, "We have gone through a lot of drills and practices in the gym, and we have set up mounds in the Athletic Center, but it just isn't the same. But regardless, the team should be ready to play in Florida."

Webber added, "The talent should, shake itself out during the tournament. There is a lot of arms out there on the ball club. The quicker that we can find those arms the better that we will be."

One big surprise this season may be Webber himself. He is going to try his hand at pitching as part of an experiment. Despite, some of the question marks that the team has right now, one can expect an exciting season from this bunch of players.

STATISTICS

NCAA DIVISION III QUARTERFINALS
JOHNS HOPKINS AT LEBANON VALLEY COLLEGE
MARCH 5, 1994

TEAM	1ST	2ND	FINAL
JOHNS HOPKINS	16	32	48
F&M	25	33	58

JOHNS HOPKINS SIMMONS 1-1 0-0 3.
ROTAY 1-6 1-2 3, JENNINGS 2-7 0-1 4, BUSBY 3-12 9-10 18,
GRZYMACZ 3-11 0-0 6, MAHER 1-3 0-0 2, GORMAN 1-4 0-0 2, SABAD 3-7 1-2 7, UNSELD 0-0 0-0 0
LEBANON VALLEY HARPER 3-5 3-7 11, RHOADES 3-11 9-10 15, SAY 2-5 9-10 13, HOFSSASS 1-3 0-0 2,
STEPHENSON 2-4 1-2 5, CAMPBELL 5-9 2-3 12, ZEIBER 0-1 0-2 0,
LAZICKI 0-0 0-0 0, ZITTER 0-0 0-0 0

3-POINT GOALS HOPKINS 5-19
26.3% (SIMMONS 1-1, BUSBY 3-9, ROTAY 0-5, MAHER 0-1, GORMAN 0-1, BLACK 1-2), LEBANON VALLEY 2-8 25% (HARPER 2-3, RHOADES 0-5)
REBOUNDS HOPKINS 31 (GRZYMACZ 10), LEBANON VALLEY 37 (RHOADES 8), ASSISTS HOPKINS 8 (BUSBY 2), ROTAY 3, GRZYMACZ 1, SABAD 2), LEBANON VALLEY 10 (RHOADES 4), HARPER 2, SAY 1, HOFSSASS 1, STEPHENSON 1, ZEIBER 1)

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY AT JOHNS HOPKINS
MARCH 5, 1994

TEAM	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	FINAL
PRINCETON	6	4	6	4	20
HOPKINS	2	3	1	5	11

SCORING: PRINCETON, GOALS: REINHARDT (7), LOWE (4), TOMELO (2), CONKLIN (2), MACBEAN, MURPHY, NEFF, SIMMERS, MALKIEL; ASSISTS: LOWE (4), SIMMERS (2); HOPKINS, GOALS: RIORDAN (5), MACOM (4), CAVALLARO, CUMMINGS; ASSISTS: RIORDAN, JACOBS, MARR, PICCOLA (2), GORDON, B. EVANS, PITT
SAVES: PRINCETON 17 (BACIGALUPO 17, GUSTEIN 0); HOPKINS 16 (MARCUS 16)
FACEOFFS: PRINCETON 12; HOPKINS 2
GROUND BALLS: PRINCETON 31; HOPKINS 47

JOHNS HOPKINS AT WASHINGTON COLLEGE
MARCH 9, 1994

TEAM	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	FINAL
HOPKINS	5	7	7	2	21
W.C.	2	1	5	4	12

SCORING: HOPKINS, GOALS: RIORDAN (7), PICCOLA (5), MACOM (3), MARCHANT, CAVALLARO, B. EVANS, COLBERT, STEER, ZUCHELLI; ASSISTS: MARR (7), RIORDAN (3), PICCOLA (2), CAVALLARO (2), B. EVANS, COLBERT, CUMMINGS; WASHINGTON, GOALS: SANCHEZ (2), JAEGER (3), PAIGE (3), COTE, ATTERBURY, CARVER (3); ASSISTS: JAEGER (2), PAIGE (2), COTE (2), BOONE

SAVES: HOPKINS 18 (MARCUS 13, PENSY 5); WASHINGTON 18 (LUNDBERG 18, MACGREGOR 0)
FACEOFFS: HOPKINS 16; WASHINGTON 22
GROUND BALLS: HOPKINS 56; WASHINGTON 40

JOHNS HOPKINS AT MORAVIAN
MARCH 4, 1994

TEAM	1ST	2ND	OT	FINAL
HOPKINS	42	34		76
MORAVIAN	37	48		85

JOHNS HOPKINS HOFFMAN 7-20 0-0 17, DODRILL 12-18 5-7 32, SHVARTSMAN 1-7 0-0 2, HEWES 1-3 0-0, STROMAN 2-4 4-4 8, MIKULA 0-0 0-0 0, RUNGE 0-8 0-0 0, LEONARD 6-11 3-4 15, MORAVIAN PORTER 5-13 0-1 10, ZIMMERMAN 8-18 8-8 25, MATTES 3-5 4-5 10, SNEDDON 0-1 0-0 0, FONTANEZ 0-0 1-2 1, PORTER 0-0 0-0 0, SZABO 0-1 0-0 0, FARINA 5-8 7-9 17, NEWHARD 2-9 6-6 10, DIORIO 0-0 0-0 0, STOVER 6-12 0-0 12

3-POINT GOALS HOPKINS 6-15 40% (HOFFMAN 3-7, DODRILL 3-6, RUNGE 0-2); MORAVIAN 1-6 16.7% (ZIMMERMAN 1-4, SNEDDON 1-4, NEWHARD 0-1)

REBOUNDS HOPKINS 36 (LEONARD 12); MORAVIAN 47 (FARINA 16)
ASSISTS HOPKINS 18 (HOFFMAN 4, DODRILL 4); MORAVIAN 19 (MATTES 6, ZIMMERMAN 5)

Men's Lacrosse Responds to Loss by Downing Washington College

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his concentration. Freshman Aaron Van Horne did an admirable job, considering it was his first college game. Fellow freshman Brian Kuczma had the unfortunate job of guarding Princeton's premiere attackman, Kevin Lowe. "I was overwhelmed by the quickness of Princeton," Kuczma revealed. "I got beat for the first goal by Kevin Lowe. I don't think I was ready for it. It's a learning experience. It wasn't a very good learning experience. It's something that all us young guys and older guys can learn from."

Senior Jason Pressman utilized his athletic ability by physically muscling players out of the crease. Pressman really came on later in the game, forcing turnovers when the Tigers were attacking. "We have a long ways to go, but we have some good talent and potential," Marcus said.

The big guns that shot down the Blue Jays were Scott Reinhardt and Lowe. Midfielder Reinhardt racked up seven goals against Hopkins, almost half his total for all of last year. Lowe showed off his skills by tossing in four goals while assisting on four others.

Their attack was devastating; Hopkins just could not control the Princeton attackmen, who seemed to be able to score at will. Seaman remarked, "They're as good as they were two years ago when they won [the national championship]. They might

be even a little better because of all those kids that played on the team were sophomores then and now they're seniors. They're really loaded."

Princeton, a characteristically ball control-oriented offense, had many opportunities to rush the net and score quick goals. They were playing like the Hopkins attack was supposed to be playing. The shocking scenario that resulted was Princeton scoring readily while Hopkins, with their feared attack, suffering from a dearth of goals.

In goal, Scott Bacigalupo, arguably the best goalkeeper in Division I lacrosse this year, made several solid saves to stymie the Hopkins attack. With these three stars leading the way, it would have been difficult for any team to stop them.

Future Problems to Address

On many occasions, the Blue Jays were not able to take advantage of their man-up situations. The attackman generally had trouble making their shots or had trouble setting up and getting good shots. A good deal of Blue Jay shots sailed past the goal or were simply not strong efforts. They seemed to press themselves, making shots when there wasn't an opening or when they weren't free of their defender, but this was a result of being behind.

Another problem regarded clearing the ball. Errant passes dangerously sailed across the field, and were intercepted by the Tigers and goals resulted

because of the mistakes. Additionally, when trying to clear the ball, Princeton players checked Blue Jay defensemen into ground, jarring the ball loose. "You have to adjust and communicate better and take better care of the ball," Seaman stated. "We haven't showed signs of that [poor clears] during the pre-season. That's just being tight in your first game."

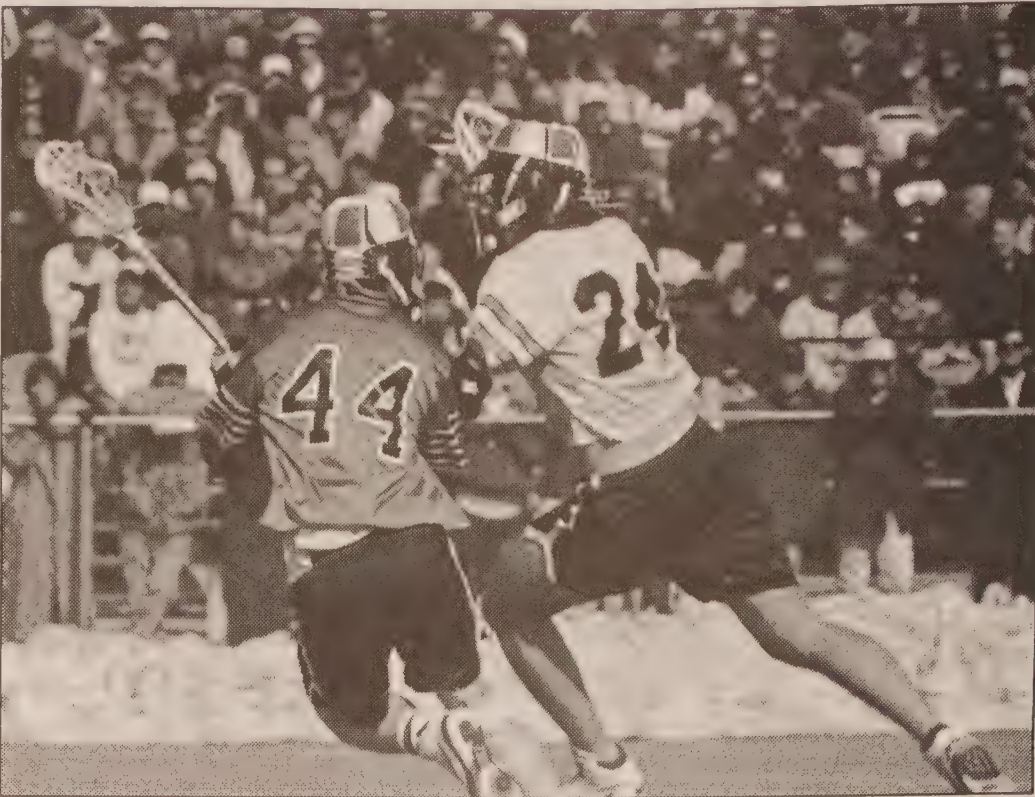
At times it really got ugly. Attackman Taylor Simmons fired the ball from far away, scoring a goal on an empty net because Marcus was covering an attackman. Van Horn helplessly watched the ball go in as he desperately ran to the goal.

This occurred because the Blue Jays were executing a ten-man ride, where the goalkeeper covers an attackman, and a defender watches a middle.

Basically, Hopkins were not able to discover a comfortable rhythm and play as a well-oiled machine. They were out of sync most of the afternoon.

First Win of the Year

Two days ago, the Blue Jays came home with their first victory, against Division III standout Washington College, 21-12. Riordan exploded for seven goals and making three assists. Piccola scored his first goals of the season, ending up with five. Macon continued his onslaught by racking up three goals. Attackman Dave Marr assisted on seven of the Hopkins goals on the afternoon. "They are dangerous offensively,"



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Midfielder and face-off specialist Peter Jacobs storms past his defender.

Tierney agreed. "The only reason Hopkins had only 11 goals against us was because we had the ball a lot."

This blowout gives them some confidence going into tomorrow's game against Rutgers at New Brunswick, New Jersey. With Reid Jackson shadowing Piccola and Riordan, and Ryan O'Shea stalking Marcus, look for a strong showing by the Scarlet Knights. "It'll be tough," Seaman remarked. "We

just have to come together and play. It'll come."

"It's a long season," Macon pointed out. "We'll take it one game at a time."

Make sure to stick around next Saturday (March 19 at 2:00 p.m.) when Syracuse comes to town and invades Homewood Field. Most likely the Orangemen will still hold the number ranking then. Expect a major shootout that could include over 40 goals, as last

year's game featured a total of 38 goals (17-21 Hopkins loss).

In the locker room following the Princeton game, Seaman had some words of wisdom for his squad: "It's a long season. The last game of the season is the one that counts the most. This was only the first game of the season." We'll soon see how well the team can mesh together. Hopefully the first game won't be like the last.

Fencing Falls Short In NCAA Tournament

by **Johnny J. Wong**
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

This past weekend, the Men's Fencing team traveled up to Penn State University for the Division One NCAA Regional Championships. With the MACFA championship safely secured, the Blue Jays qualified for the division one tournament with no unreasonable aspirations. The competition was tough and there was little hope of advancing into the finals. Only the top two squads in each weapon would advance into the national collegiate finals. Every effort was made to get into the top spot, but Hopkins fell short in each case.

The team split up into their respective squads and they fenced six other schools. Hopkins Coach Richard Oles said, "Competition was tough. We did well given that fact."

The sabre squad placed the highest in the competition. They placed fourth of seven, and they beat the division one powerhouses, Rutgers University and University of North Carolina, as well as division three Haverford. The heavily recruited Princeton University, Penn State University, and University of Pennsylvania beat Hopkins easily.

These matches weren't easy at all. However, good strategy with a little luck went a long way. Junior Hamilton Chu explained, "When you're fencing somebody better than you, you can't just go and fence and try to beat him. In sabre, you try to double [attack] until four-four and then you hope for a touch."

"We weren't fencing particularly well this weekend, but we were fencing such that we would beat people better than us. We had it in our minds that these people were better than us. So we did whatever we could to beat them. I wasn't outfencing those guys. Tom [Lu] was fencing well. He carried us basically," Chu continued.

Apparently, Rutgers had completely underestimated Hopkins. Initially, Rutgers placed an inexperienced substitute as a starter against sabre Captain Thomas Lu. Lu proceeded to blank the unfortunate Rutgers fencer. At that point, Rutgers snapped out of their delusions of grandeur and substituted in the real starters, but the single bout advantage was enough. The final bout score was five-four, Hopkins.

The epee and foil teams performed well, but it was insufficient to place them higher than sixth place. Both epee and foil managed to get a couple of wins. The final scores tied them for fourth place. However, the bout victories were later broken down individually. Hopkins didn't have enough bout wins to place them higher than sixth.

Coach Oles said, "We did really well. We feel decent. We feel we could have been a step higher in epee and in foil, but that's next year."

On the individual level, there was some more success. Twenty-four fencers were selected from each weapon to fence in a round-robin and to finally get placed into a direct-elimination semifinal. In foil, the highest placing Hopkins student was graduate student, Yen Len Tang who managed to get into

the semi-finals, but was unable to advance further. He placed 16th. In sabre, graduate student Darryl Ong advanced further and finally placed 12th. Lastly, in epee, Captain Mike Fleisher placed 12th.

The competition was extremely tough. And, it would seem that the competition will continue to get tougher. The NCAA committees have lost interest in fencing and have made it unattractive for many schools to compete. Next year, the NCAA has already dropped the regional team events, leaving only the individual competitions.

As a result, many schools have dropped their fencing programs in favor of alternative sports. With fewer schools competing, the experienced high school fencers have a smaller pool of colleges to attend. The strong fencers all end up in the division one schools. Previously, with more fencing colleges, the high quality fencers tend to be well distributed among more schools. With less of a variety, the gap between the good schools and the weaker schools is widening.

In this respect, Hopkins is considered to be a "swing" school, as Coach Oles terms it. JHU is the border line between the good and the lucky. Hopkins fencing has become the standard by which the NCAA uses to see how strong other Division III schools are.

In an attempt to make collegiate fencing regain some stamina, Hopkins started the Blue Jay Invitational last year. It is the Men's Alternative National Championship. For many schools

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and clubs, there aren't enough good fencers to make up a full nine-man team which is the requirement for the NCAA championships. To accommodate that, this new championship involves only three starters, the top man in each weapon. This three man team will fence in a round-robin with the other schools. This new competition has sparked a lot of interest in the nation. Last year, due to the snow storm, only three schools including Hopkins attended. This year, with reasonable weather predicted, fifteen schools have planned attendance. Princeton, Brown, Boston College, Boston University, and Connecticut are a few schools planning to attend this event. More schools would have participated, but a national USFA fencing circuit competition is also held on this day. This championship will be held this Sunday at 9 a.m. in the fencing room of the Athletic Center.

Tennis Is Back With First Victory of Spring Season

by **Hadley Kruczek**
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

The men's and women's tennis teams started the season off brightly last week with strong defeats over Division One contender UMBC. Both the men and the women stifled UMBC, each winning their matches 5-3.

On the men's side, the doubles' teams got the ball rolling with three quick victories. The teams of captain Andy Hsieh and Patrick Um and Sukdith Punjastuhitkul and Gray both defeated their opponents 10-7, while the third doubles' team of Eric Kesselman and Andy Halsey took their match 10-6. With these victories, the team rolled into the singles matches 3-0. As a result, the squad knew they only needed two more victories to bring home the win. The pressure was off singles, and it obviously paid off. Kesselman and Punjastuhitkul came through with the necessary wins, granting the men's team a fine victory against a Division One school.

Coach Russell Rogers had anticipated a good match-up between the two schools. He said, "We knew it would be close. I guess we came in better shape than they did. We played harder, and practiced more, and it showed."

Rogers was particularly happy with the performance of the doubles teams. He noted, "Before, [doubles] has been a weakness, so we've been working on it. So, we're really pleased with their wins. Hopefully that will continue."

Rogers also praised the match winning performances of Kesselman and especially Punjastuhitkul, who is a freshman.

Other freshmen who should contribute to the success of this team include Geoff Gray, Joe Cutler, and eventually Elhav Weinstein, who isn't playing now due to health problems.

Next week, the men face Loyola on Monday at 3 p.m. in their first match here at Homewood. Rogers expects a win against the Greyhounds, having already defeated them in the fall. On Wednesday they travel to Haverford for what Rogers termed as their "biggest challenge." Rogers said, "They

are the best team in the Centennial Conference."

The men hope to continue the success from last season, where they finished 11-3. Unfortunately, however, the team has lost number one player Mike Kim and number two player Niteen Andalkar. But Rogers is hoping that the newly acquired strength at the number four, five, and six spots will give the team the added depth to win.

On the women's side, the win against UMBC proved a hopeful start to the season. Having finished last year with a record of 2-8, the women are definitely looking to improve. And Rogers stated, "There's no reason why we can't finish at least .500."

Last Monday, number three player Leigh Kowalski, number four player Amanda Smith, and number five player Mara Liberman earned singles victories, while the teams of Zeena Abdi and Kowalski defeated their UMBC opponent 10-4. Coupled with these wins, UMBC forfeited in number six singles and number three doubles thereby granting Hopkins the victory. Rogers noted that the women really stepped up to

earn this win, noting the especially strong performances of Kowalski and freshman Liberman. He also pointed out that his players "probably would have won the forfeited matches" as well.

The team will be further improved by the addition of junior Amy Dodrill, who just finished with the basketball season. Rogers expects Dodrill to step in at the number two or three spot, which will "make us much better."

Rogers is also expecting a lot from freshmen Abdi, Liberman, and Alice Tsao for future challenges, such as their upcoming match at home against Haverford College. Rogers recognizes that this will be a season of "rebuilding," after their less-than-stellar record last year, and the loss of All-American Tamar Hausmann.

As with the men's team, the women are going to have to step up and play hard—become, as Rogers noted "better players"—if they are going to be successful.

The women will play at home on Friday at 3 p.m. against Haverford.

Basketball Aiming for Same Level of Success

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nice job of shutting down our inside game, which in the long run affected our outside game."

Lebanon Valley didn't do such a great job either, as All-American guard Mike Rhoades was limited to three baskets in eleven attempts, one of the best defensive jobs done on him this season. "He's the best guard in the area and Mike Rotay just shut him down," commented Nelson. Rotay really stuck it to him, living up to his billing as one of the best defensive guards Nelson has ever coached.

Another bright spot was Busby's 18 points, which he accomplished despite shooting 25% from the floor. He sunk nine of ten foul shots, providing the bulk of Hopkins' offensive support. Grzywacz pulled down ten rebounds in a strong performance on the boards.

In the locker room after the game, Nelson told the team that he would be disappointed if they let the loss linger for very long because of all the things they accomplished in their four years at Hopkins.

The Season

The Blue Jays wrapped up the year with a 20-7 record, identical to its record of a year ago, even with their tougher schedule. They showed tremendous potential, nearly defeating top ten team and UAA champion NYU early in the season.

Hopkins' old nemesis F&M, who was undefeated at home and did not have any losses against Division III opponents all season, ran away with the inaugural Centennial Conference title, but not without a fight from the Blue Jays. They played them extremely close in their three meetings, holding late leads in two of the contests and losing by one point in the other. NYU and F&M were by far the top two teams

Hopkins met this year, and both barely escaped with victories each time.

There were some low moments when the team's inconsistency showed through. Goucher shockingly defeated the Jays in an early season matchup, and Gettysburg won on their home court later, ending their ten game winning streak (which began after back-to-back losses to NYU and F&M).

Nelson reflected upon the season. "I give these guys a tremendous amount of credit for what they did. It's very difficult to meet or raise expectations from year to year. They've got a lot to be proud of. There was no drop off in work habits this year. They were a lot of freshmen and underclassmen who were able to blend in and be an important part of the team, which was a major factor in many of our games. I think that alone shows what kind of individuals these guys are."

"Pat Riley talked about, for the lack of better words, the 'disease of more', where after you have success, a lot of times people turn more toward themselves and individual thoughts than team play. These guys never even came close to that. They were never selfish out there. They were team players to the end."

It was a season of promise. Five veteran senior starters, all experienced in playing together. A number six ranking from NCAA Preview Magazine. A fresh crop of talented freshmen. Seasoned coaches. The list goes on.

Now we have the memories to hold on to. Busby sinking a three with just seconds remaining. Sabad leaping high into the air and dunking in spectacular fashion. Rotay dishing it off in a blink of an eye. Grzywacz posting up, gracefully laying in another accurate shot. Jennings diving, slapping the ball away from an opponent. These moments will live on forever, regardless of the number of wins and losses.

The Future

Looking toward next season, Nelson will have his work cut out for him. Improving upon this year's accomplishments will be difficult with the loss of all five starters to graduation.

"Defense will be a major factor," Nelson pointed out. "It was a constant asset this year. We need to find a defensive stopper on the perimeter like Mike Rotay was, and somebody inside to pick up as far as an intimidation factor around the basket like Lou Sabad has been."

This past season, the outside shooting was usually inconsistent, while the inside game was on numerous times. With Grzywacz and Sabad gone, Nelson will have to turn to Jon Maher and Wes Unsel.

Maher, the most experienced player returning, missed out on half the '93-'94 season due to illness. After Maher, Nelson will look to this year's freshmen class to pick up the slack: forwards Unsel and Matt Gorman, and point guard Scott Simmons. Those three received the most playing time of the freshmen players.

Nelson revealed, "Jon Maher and Wes Unsel will be an important part of the lineup, and I would like to see both of them think of themselves as go-to guys. Matt Gorman and Scott Simmons have proven that they can come in and do the job. There were times where they were spotty, but overall they were outstanding."

These three will most likely start, which leaves one major question: who will be at shooting guard?

Nelson is looking for a good outside shooter to replace Busby, a tall order. Bill Black has the range but has yet to be tested. Aaron Bevington has good ball control skills and brings size to the position. It is still up in the air who will assume the role of outside threat.

Nelson stated, "Bill Black and Aaron

Bevington do a lot of things well, and I would hope that they make a lot of progress on their offensive part of their game, as far as scoring is concerned. I think they're both very heady players. They know the game. It will depend on how much time they put into the game [during the off season] and how successful they are."

Another factor is incoming freshmen recruits. Nelson is busily contacting potential players, working his way through a thick folder of profiles. Additionally, there are some transfer candidates that might fit the bill.

By far, Nelson has been the most successful Blue Jay basketball coach in the history of Hopkins. Look for him to put together a solid team capable of playing everyone close, as he does year in and year out. Two of the top players ever to enter the gates of Homewood graduated not long ago and everyone said Hopkins would have to go through several rebuilding years to regain entry into the NCAAs. They were wrong. Hopefully the naysayers will again be shown the door.

"I've always said that just because you're young, that doesn't mean you're not talented," Nelson stated. "I think that if we can bring in some quality players to go along with the outstanding players on the team now, I can't see why we can't be a real good team by the time our Centennial [Conference] action starts next January."

"Like a lot of coaches, I'm not a big believer in rebuilding. I think you can win with freshmen and sophomores. The blend has got to be a factor. They have to gain confidence in themselves. We have a good nucleus, it's depth that we're looking for. There's got to be some hard work done this Spring and Summer."

Meanwhile, the gym waits patiently for the dawn of the next era in Hopkins basketball. . .

Sports

Major League Baseball: Preview of the National League

by Rany Jazayerli
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Major League baseball has undergone significant change since Joe Carter ended last year's season with his historic home run. The owners have yet to appoint a new Commissioner but have instead given us four more playoff teams, which has caused ranking among traditionalists but which will keep more fans tuned into post-season play. Congress is considering revoking baseball's anti-trust exemption as seriously as it has in seven decades, and the players' union and the owners are nowhere near a new Basic Agreement, raising the specter of a lockout or strike in the near future.

Given all these concerns, it is fortunate that the game itself, what transpires between the lines, is the same as always, and the anticipation of a new season of play is stronger than ever. That having been said, some teams can look forward to the prospect of making the playoffs and even winning the World Series, while others will have to reconcile themselves to the reality of mediocrity or worse. Here is each team's outlook:

National League East

Atlanta Braves: 98-64

The Braves have rented the penthouse in this division for the last three years, and show no sign of relinquishing first place anytime soon. The Braves have four of the NL's 10 best starters in Greg Maddux, Tom Glavine (who, at 28, is the oldest of the bunch), John Smoltz, and Steve Avery. Even the loss of all-star LF Ron Gant, who broke his leg in an off-season motorcycle accident, shouldn't keep Atlanta from beating up on their opponents. Gant's injury just opens up opportunities to minor league phenoms Tony Tarasco, Ryan Klesko, and superstar-in-waiting Chipper Jones, all three of whom are deserving of starting jobs this season. A full season of Fred McGriff at first base will help to anchor the offense, and SS Jeff Blausner and RF Dave Justice are among the preeminent players at their position. Throw in ex-Oriole closer Gregg Olson to shore up an already deep bullpen, and what do you get? 95 wins, at least.

Montreal Expos: 92-70

Long Canada's "other" team, be-

hind the Blue Jays, the Expos have become a model of efficiency for small-market teams; despite a small fan base and little TV money, the Expos have developed a host of terrific young talent which should help keep them competitive throughout the 90's. Larry Walker, Marquis Grissom, and Moises Alou are examples of the home grown talent Montreal has raised, and they combine to form one of the best young outfields in baseball. The Expos also have two of the best prospects in baseball in LF Rondell White and 1B Cliff Floyd, limitless potential in SS Wilfredo Cordero, and the game's best closer in John Wetteland. The Expos were questioned throughout baseball for trading star second baseman and team captain Delino DeShields, but acquired Pedro Martinez from the Dodgers in the trade. Martinez was the NL's best rookie pitcher last year, and should be counted on for 200 innings and 12-15 wins in the Expos rotation, where he joins dependable stalwart Ken Hill and the emerging Jeff Fassero to give Montreal the division's second best rotation. The Expos have been in the hunt for the playoffs each of the last two years, and with the new playoff format and the experience this still young team has gained, this should be the year that Montreal finally reaches the postseason.

Philadelphia Phillies: 81-81

The Phillies last year were an unlikely band of scraggly, blue collar players who stunned the Braves in the playoffs and won over America's affection before succumbing to the Blue Jays in the World Series. This year's edition, however, is unlikely to duplicate last year's feat. The core of the team, CF Lenny Dykstra, 1B John Kruk, and C Darren Daulton, are all in their 30's and will probably decline from their terrific seasons last year. The rest of the team is full of useful but aging veterans like outfielders Pete Incaviglia and Jim Eisenreich, and there is little young talent that the Phillies can tap. Kevin Stocker, who hit .324 in an abbreviated stint at shortstop last year, will have to prove that his surprising offensive showing was not a fluke. The rotation is suffering, as Terry Mulholland, the Phillies' most dependable starter of the 90's, was traded to the Yankees for a platter of prospects over the off season. Curt Schilling, Tommy Greene, and Danny Jackson

must hope that youngsters Jeff Juden and Tyler Green are ready to join them in the rotation. The bullpen is also unsettled, as last year's goat, Mitch Williams, was dealt to Houston for Juden, and the Phillies have no obvious replacement for his services. As unpredictable as "Wild Thing" was, he was still the best the Phillies had, which does not bode well for the team's prospects. Expect the Phils to mix brilliance and mediocrity on their way to a .500 season.

New York Mets: 69-93

1993 was the absolute best thing that could have happened to the Mets. Until last season, the Mets were able to convince themselves that the glory years of the mid 80's could continue indefinitely. No more. The Mets' pathetic, 103 loss season forced the team's management to revamp its outlook, focusing on rebuilding the franchise instead of playing for the present. Last year's fiasco did produce some good news: Jeff Kent established himself as one of the NL's best young second basemen, hitting 21 homers in the process, RF Jeremy Burnitz showed flashes of a young Darryl Strawberry after being called up, and Dwight Gooden regained his arm strength and posted his best season in years. The Mets allowed the aging Eddie Murray and Sid Fernandez to leave via free agency, replacing Murray with the likes of youngster Alan Zinter at first base, and allowing a host of young arms, the best of which is Bobby Jones, compete for spots in the rotation. The team still has a number of gaping holes, though: Red Sox refugee Luis Rivera has been penciled in as the starting shortstop, light hitting Todd Hundley is still the incumbent catcher, and the bullpen is in disarray. Despite the possibility of 90 homers from Kent, Burnitz, and Bobby Bonilla, the Mets must reconcile themselves with the reality of another second division finish.

Florida Marlins: 66-96

The Marlins are still a couple of years away, but have gotten off to a promising start as a team. Less than a year after their first game ever, they already boast a franchise player in RF Gary Sheffield, one of the game's best closers in Bryan Harvey, and a number of productive players in supporting roles, like LF Jeff Conine and 3B Dave Magadan. However, the rest of the team is still showing the effects of inexperience; the rotation's best starter is still 46 year old Charlie Hough, and the double play combo of Kurt Abbott and Bret Barberie will likely cause Marlins fans plenty of grief this season, both offensively and defensively. The Marlins are looking expectantly to the future, when catching phenom Charles Johnson and outfielders like Carl Everett and Nigel Wilson are ready to take their place in the Florida sun. Until then, though, it could be a dreary season for the Marlins.

National League Central

Houston Astros: 90-72

The Astros, who have watched idly as Atlanta and then San Francisco outplayed them in the old NL West, look to gain the most from the new division alignment. The Astros can claim the best rotation in the NL this side of Atlanta, with Pete Harnisch, a dark horse contender for the Cy Young Award, Darryl Kile, Doug Drabek and Greg Swindell, who both look to rebound from disappointing seasons. Domingo Jean, acquired from the Yankees in the off season, should perform capably as the team's fifth starter. Houston's unsung strength is in its offense, however, with the likes of 1B Jeff Bagwell, 2B Craig Biggio, and LF Luis Gonzalez leading the way. Shortstop Andujar Cedeno put together a breakthrough season last year at the age of 23, and should continue to improve this year. Right field may turn into an Achilles' heel for the Astros following the trade of Eric Anthony to Seattle, but youngsters James Mouton and Phil Nevin may be able to fill the void. Mitch Williams has been added to inject some "excitement" to the bullpen, but look for flame throwing rookie Todd Jones to pick up some saves as the season progresses. In a division with no clear favorite, the Astros should find themselves going to the Dance for the first time in eight years.

Cincinnati Reds: 88-74

The Reds stumbled to a 73-89 record last year, as they suffered from injuries more than almost any other team in baseball, losing all star SS Barry Larkin, 1B Hal Morris, LHP John Smiley, and the entire starting outfield Kevin Mitchell, Roberto Kelly, and Reggie Sanders to injuries at one time or another. If the team can stay healthy this year, they could once again find themselves in the hunt for a playoff spot. The Reds made the best trade of the off season, trading overhyped catcher Dan

Wilson and middle reliever Bobby Ayala to Seattle for 2B Bret Boone, who could hit 25 homers in the friendly confines of Riverfront Stadium, and RHP Erik Hanson, who gives the Reds the #2 starter they lacked last season. But behind Hanson and ace Jose Rijo, who has never posted an ERA above 3 in his six years in Cincinnati, the Reds have very little pitching depth. Fortunately for the Reds, the bullpen looks to be in pretty good shape; Rob Dibble has recovered from the injuries which wrecked his season last year, and when he's on there isn't a more unhittable pitcher in baseball. Johnny Ruffin, acquired from the White Sox for Tim Belcher last year, is capable of stepping in as the closer should Dibble falter. The Reds' offense, bolstered by the recent signing of Tony Fernandez to play third base, may be the best in the division, but in the end, unless John Smiley returns to form or John Roper develops to give the Reds a dependable third starter, their rotation isn't deep enough to assure them of anything higher than a second place finish.

Chicago Cubs: 87-75

Cubs fans everywhere should be in for an exciting season, as their beloved Northsiders look to make the NL Central division a three team race. The Cubs can expect average or above production from every position save shortstop, and at a time when teams everywhere are scraping the barrel for pitchers, the Cubs have stockpiled a number of promising young arms. Willie Banks, who was pliered from Minnesota in the off-season, has finally begun to harness his immense talent, and should give the Cubs a solid #3 starter behind Mike Morgan and Jose Guzman. A number of capable pitchers will vie for the last two spots in the rotation, but in particular watch out for rookies Turk Wendell, who is as famous for his eccentricities (like brushing his teeth between innings) as for his pitching, and Steve Trachsel, who could win 15 games this year. The bullpen should also be sharp, led by Randy Myers, who regained his control last year and set a National League record with 53 saves. The Cubs may have solved their pressing leadoff problem by acquiring CF Karl Rhodes, who has the most important skill in a leadoff hitter: he gets on base. He also has impressive power and speed, and could score 100 runs batting ahead of Mark Grace and Ryne Sandberg, who should see his power numbers return now that his broken hand has finally healed. Rick Wilkins is one of the three best catchers in the NL, and steady 3B Steve Buechele and outfielders Derrick May and Sammy Sosa complete a dangerous offense. The Cubs probably don't have the pitching experience to seriously contend this year, but if Karl Rhodes emerges as an impact player and if someone in the rotation steps up to claim the role of ace, the Cubs may claim the division and have a chance to reach the World Series for the first time in almost 50 years.

St. Louis Cardinals: 78-84

This year's Cardinals outfit looks to be radically different than in previous years; the offense, led by 1B Gregg Jefferies and featuring four quality outfielders in Bernard Gilkey, Ray Lankford, Brian Jordan, and Mark Whiten, is in decent shape, but the starting rotation is thin and the bullpen is suspect. Bob Tewksbury, the ace of the Cards' staff, has to continue to throw with pinpoint control to compensate for his above average fastball, or he could be in trouble. Rene Arocha, the Cuban defector who won 11 games as a rookie last year, should be a reliable #2 starter behind Tewksbury, but southpaw Donovan Osborne is out for the season with a rotator cuff injury, meaning that the rest of the staff will be filled out with youngsters like Allen Watson and Brian Barber, and maybe even (gasp!) ex Oriole Rick Sutcliffe. The bullpen, which lost closer Lee Smith to the Yankees in a trade last year, must rely on Mike Perez to fill the stopper's role, and the team's middle relief is undistinguished at best. Furthermore, the Cardinals' defense is the poorest it has been in years; Ozzie Smith, now 39, is still a fine shortstop but is no longer the Wizard he used to be, and 2B Luis Alicea, Jefferies, and 3B Todd Zeile are all defensive liabilities. Unless the Cardinals are able to turn one of their extra outfielders into a quality starting pitcher and another reliever, don't expect to see them in contention this summer.

Pittsburgh Pirates: 71-91

The Pirates are suffering from Free Agent Withdrawal, having lost Barry Bonds, Bobby Bonilla, and Doug Drabek, among others, to greener pastures over the last two years, and are still in the middle of a rebuilding phase. The team has a number of bright spots: Jay Bell established himself as one of baseball's best shortstops last year, and LF Al Martin had a great rookie cam-

paign but in the end, there are two many question marks that need to be answered for this team to contend. Can Andy Van Slyke stay healthy all season? Can Martin prove his rookie year wasn't a fluke? Is Jeff King for real? And, perhaps most importantly, can anyone here pitch? Steve Cooke, who won 10 games as a rookie last year, is the only established starter on the team. Knuckleballer Tim Wakefield must erase the horrors of last season, when he posted a 5.61 ERA, and regain the control that made him a rookie sensation in 1992. The rest of the rotation is unsettled, and the bullpen is a hodgepodge of Joel Johnstons, Denny Neagles, and Blas Minors, none of whom have the ability to close. The Pirates, sadly, can not expect much help from the minors anytime soon, but watch out for Midre Cummings, a gifted outfielder with the potential to hit 30 homers and steal 30 bases a year.

National League West

San Francisco Giants: 91-71

The Giants, no doubt relieved that the Braves are no longer in their division, should have little trouble wrapping up the NL West this year. They still have Barry Bonds, who is not only the best player today but the best in baseball since Ted Williams was in his prime. 2B Robby Thompson, who may be the best kept secret in the game, was re-signed to a four year deal, as was 3B Matt Williams, who should hit 35 homers again this year. Strong armed catcher Kirt Manwaring and SS Royce Clayton provide surprising offense from the bottom of the lineup. The pitching staff, which already benefited from the signing of Mark Portugal to a staff which includes Bill Swift and John Burkett, will be bolstered by the addition of Salomon Torres, who, if he stays healthy, could be the best rookie pitcher baseball has seen since Dwight Gooden was a 19 year old pup. Rod Beck is a terrific closer, and unheralded Kevin Rogers is an effective set up man. The Giants lost 1B Will Clark to free agency, but the Thrill's bat was MIA all last season, and his replacements, Todd Benzinger and J.R. Phillips, should almost duplicate Clark's numbers from last year. Without a formidable opponent in the division, the Giants will cakewalk to the playoffs and give Bonds yet another chance to lead his team to the World Series.

Los Angeles Dodgers: 83-79

The Dodgers have five quality starters and reigning Rookie of the Year Mike Piazza, but in the end the lack of offense in the outfield and at the corners will do Tommy Lasorda's squad in. Darryl Strawberry, a huge disappointment the last two years, must prove that he can hit as well as he did before back problems curtailed his career, and talented but enigmatic LF Raul Mondesi must prove that he has the maturity, as well as the tools, to play well. Tim Wallach is still slated to start at third base, despite being an absolute sink-hole offensively, and overrated 1B Eric Karros must prove that he can hit more than the occasional homer. On the bright side, new 2B Delino DeShields is perhaps the best young second baseman in the NL, and Jose Offerman is slowly establishing himself as a capable shortstop. The rotation of Tom Candiotti, Orel Hershiser, Ramon Martinez, Pedro Astacio, and Kevin Gross is one of the best in the league, and spring training sensations Darren Dreifort and Chan Ho Park should add depth to the bullpen. It won't be enough to catch the Giants, but it will keep the Dodgers a respectable team for another year.

Colorado Rockies: 74-88

The Rockies, awash in money after

setting an all-time attendance record in their inaugural year, have been aggressive in pursuing free agents this year in an attempt to make the team a competitive one. Andres Galarraga, who shocked the baseball world by hitting .370 last year, signed a four year contract, and the Rockies lured CF Ellis Burks and LF Howard Johnson to play in Mile High Stadium. Burks could hit 30 homers in the thin air, but Johnson has to avoid the injuries which have plagued him the last two seasons. Walt Weiss was also signed to play shortstop and leadoff, and 3B Charlie Hayes and RF Dante Bichette are coming off seasons in which they hit .300 with 20 homers apiece. However, while the offense is in fine shape, the pitching staff is still in shambles. Armando Reynoso, Greg W. Harris, and David Nied are all slated to start, but none of them had an ERA below 4 last year, and the rest of the rotation is still up for grabs. Look for Mark Thompson and John Burke to reach the major leagues by mid season. In the bullpen, closer Darren Holmes and set up man Steve Reed are not dominating, but won't embarrass themselves like the rest of the pitching staff undoubtedly will. In the end, Colorado's offense will keep them out of the cellar, but their pitching staff will prevent them from reaching .500 and respectability.

San Diego Padres: 66-96

Fred McGriff, Gary Sheffield, Tony Fernandez, and Greg W. Harris would make a great start to a franchise. Unfortunately, they are all playing elsewhere, victims of the salary purge conducted by the less than generous owners of the Padres. The Padres still have some marquis players in particular RF Tony Gwynn, who has hit .300 for 11 consecutive seasons but not enough to help the Padres contend. LF Phil Plantier, who hit 34 homers last year, is the team's only real power source, and after ace Andy Benes, the pitching rotation is awful. The Padres have little to show in exchange for the stars they traded away, although Trevor Hoffman, acquired from the Marlins in the Sheffield trade, has the ability to become a top closer. The Padres did make a great acquisition in free agent Bip Roberts, who was injured with the Reds last year but when healthy is a terrific leadoff hitter, but the team still has glaring weaknesses behind the plate, at third base, and at shortstop. The Padres must also hope rookie 1B Dave Staton stays healthy long enough to hit 20 homers this year. In short, with little top caliber talent on the team, the Padres must hope all their young players turn into superstars, which won't happen. And if it does, they'll all be too expensive to keep. It's a sad situation in San Diego, and it may be a while before it changes.

Picks for MVP:

1. Barry Bonds, San Francisco (yes again)
2. Larry Walker, Montreal
3. Jeff Bagwell, Houston

Picks for Cy Young:

1. Jose Rijo, Cincinnati
2. Greg Maddux, Atlanta
3. Pete Harnisch, Houston

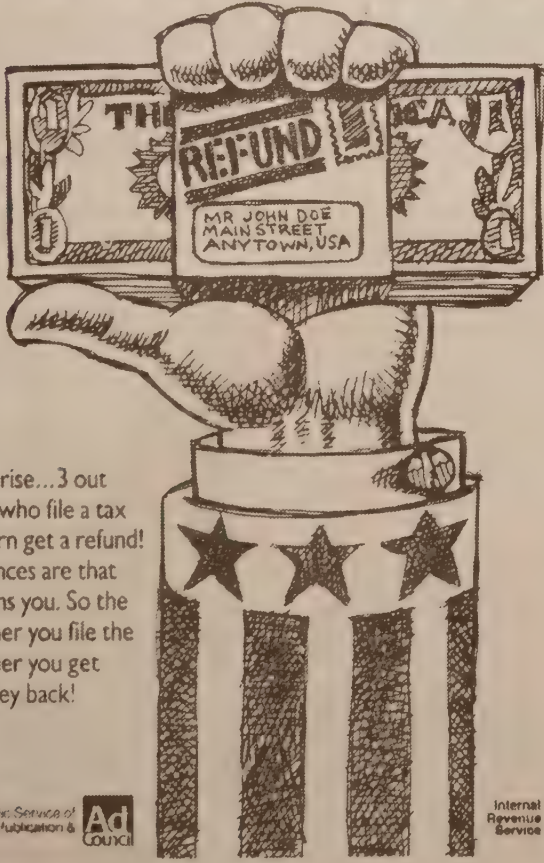
Picks for Rookie of the Year:

1. Chipper Jones, Atlanta
2. Salomon Torres, San Francisco
3. Cliff Floyd or Rondell White, Montreal

Playoff Results:

Atlanta defeats Montreal, 3 to 2
San Francisco beats Houston, 3 to 1
Atlanta defeats San Francisco, 4 games to 2

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Rifling Starts with a Bang

by Ann Schutz
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

The Johns Hopkins University Rifle Team traveled to the Naval Academy February 12 to shoot in the Regional Sectionals against several teams. This match was a qualifying match which allowed the Jays to compete in the MAC conference championships. The pressure was on for the team to perform, and they all came through in a big way.

Senior Evan Bynum led the Jays by shooting a 1091 smallbore out of a possible 1200. His targets broke down to 391 prone, 334 standing, and 337 kneeling. Team captain Howard Turner also shot well, totaling 1048/1400. His breakdown was 391 prone, 295 standing, and 365 kneeling. Freshman Darin Arita and Senior Gale Tuper both broke 1000, shooting 1017/1200 and 1000/1200, respectively. The team totaled 4156/4800, which was good

enough to place them second to Navy in the smallbore phase.

The match was already more than three hours old when the air rifle competition began. This time, however, the team was led by Arita, who posted a 359/400. This is a remarkable score for a freshman shooter. Bynum and Turner recorded good scores as well, shooting 352/400 and 351/400 respectively. Tuper posted 316/400. The team totalled 1378/1600 which placed them second to Navy in the air rifle phase.

The season runs from September to March. After the season, tryouts will be held for new shooters. If you have NRA, UIT, or high school competition experience, please try out. Leave your name and phone number on the answering machine in the range. The number is 516-4893. The Rifle Team is co-ed and every shooter who competes on the team will earn a varsity letter.

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THE FERMATA

by Nicholson Baker
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by T.H. Kern
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Has anyone noticed that Nicholson Baker has a fixation?

It was first apparent in *The Mezzanine*, his thickpacked debut, an account of one man's two-minute escalator ride. With almost no plot and even less in the way of characters, the novel burned like a laser into the delicate catacombs of everyday thought and memory. Baker's second book, *Room Temperature*, expanded the idea and built an elegant narrative around a father's rapturous thoughts during the course of an hour as he fed his newborn baby. That was it! That was the book. And at its best it was electric, just as *The Mezzanine* had been, mainly due to Baker's intimately cerebral sense of humor (great jokes are always private) and his fierce powers of description.

These early books signaled Baker's fascination with one aspect of time: how much sensation or raw experience a person can funnel into a single moment of consciousness. But the books that followed worked strange and more subtle variations on the theme. The third, *U&I: A True Story*, seemed at first to be a portrait of the writer John Updike, whom Baker claimed as an influence on his work. Upon reading the book, one finds not a literary appreciation but instead a preemptive obituary—Baker's exuberant and nicely-riddled attempt to capture his own version of John Updike in print before the elder writer was dead or codified into stereotype. By alternating brief anecdotes with a pressing sense of biography-written-on-the-run, *U&I* conveyed a mood of urgency and the idea that the act of writing is, by its nature, an attempt to defeat the influence of the clock.

At one point in the book, Baker recounted his single meeting with Updike, at a book signing years before. After meeting his longtime idol, Baker had shamelessly dropped the few names he had in common with Updike and put on a budding novelist's version of airs. Later, when Baker described the meeting to his wife, she slid her hands over her face in embarrassment. "I would never have done it," she moaned, truly mortified. "But you're different from me." Baker agreed with her, but offered an explanation: "I would never have done it either—drag in *The New Yorker* name so obviously to get his attention—except that life was too short not to," he insisted. "Those ticking seconds of signature [when Updike was signing books] might be the only chance I would ever get to embarrass myself in his presence."

This immediacy, or some version of it, is at the center of all of Nicholson Baker's books. In the case of *Vox*, a sly pornographic novel that spent several months masquerading as a bestseller in 1992, it swirled around a man and woman who conducted what appeared to be a complete relationship, from greeting to consummation, in slightly over three hours on the telephone—a toll-call "party line," to be exact. Some people cried foul at Baker's cheapen-

ing of modern romance; others (including me) were pleasantly surprised by how human it all was; and a sizable handful were simply disgusted, either by the pitch of Baker's vocabulary (which was at times brash) or the "wasting" of his talents, and perhaps both.

But *Vox* was more unusual than bad, as the novelist's time fixation was fully in evidence. Each of the two characters, Jim and Abbey, was aware that the minutes (in the form of cash as well as life itself) were ticking away, and that they were compressing a ritual that often takes years into a few rich, titillating hours. That idea lent excitement to spots in their conversation that might have seemed inconsequential in a different setting. Indeed, at one point, after hearing a juicy bit of information about Abby, Jim could hardly contain himself. "Now see that is what I live for," he burst out, "for someone to tell me something like that. I need that to happen to me every minute, every second."

Of course, the possibilities for a world where each second is a lifetime are limited. It takes a special type of mind to filter events just so, which is perhaps why all of Baker's protagonists to date have been so similar on the surface—younger white men, office workers, with few friends and a bottomless appetite for microscopic details of almost any kind—nerds, in short, though no doubt very sensitive ones. The livelihood of these characters stemmed less from human interaction than from thinking about life and crunching the variables of everyday living. Whether the unnamed narrator of *The Mezzanine*, who devotes pagesto anatomizing (with footnote) the workings of his shoelace, or Jim in *Vox* who labors to prolong the intimate storytelling of his partner, the folks in Baker's world seem to want dense streams of mental stimulation above all else, and they want the streams to flow forever.

The way the characters manage this is by sustaining a pitch of sensory perception that often approaches overload, or so it feels to the uninitiated reader. They alter the nature of the material that passes through their minds; they sharpen their focus. The result is often a form of cerebral exuberance. People who in real life are said to have an "eye for detail" seem like sensory troglodytes next to Baker's characters. Whether the subject under scrutiny is posture, drinking straws, bathroom etiquette, telephone intimacy, pop song fadeouts, business-speak, window shades, baby bottles, shirts, or the purr of appliances, these observers always seem to retire the trophy for meticulous observation. At one point in *The Mezzanine*, the narrator is reading Marcus Aurelius's "Meditations" and comes across a quote about ephemerality: "Observe, in short, how transient and trivial is all mortal life; yesterday a drop of semen, tomorrow a handful of spice and ashes." Mortality? Baker's protagonist has a quick and sure response: "Wrong, wrong, wrong!" All that data must add up to something, after all.

Arno Strine, who narrates *The Fermata*, Baker's fourth novel, well understands the desire to capture a moment in detail in order to heighten his experience of living. He too is frustrated by the way in which time speeds

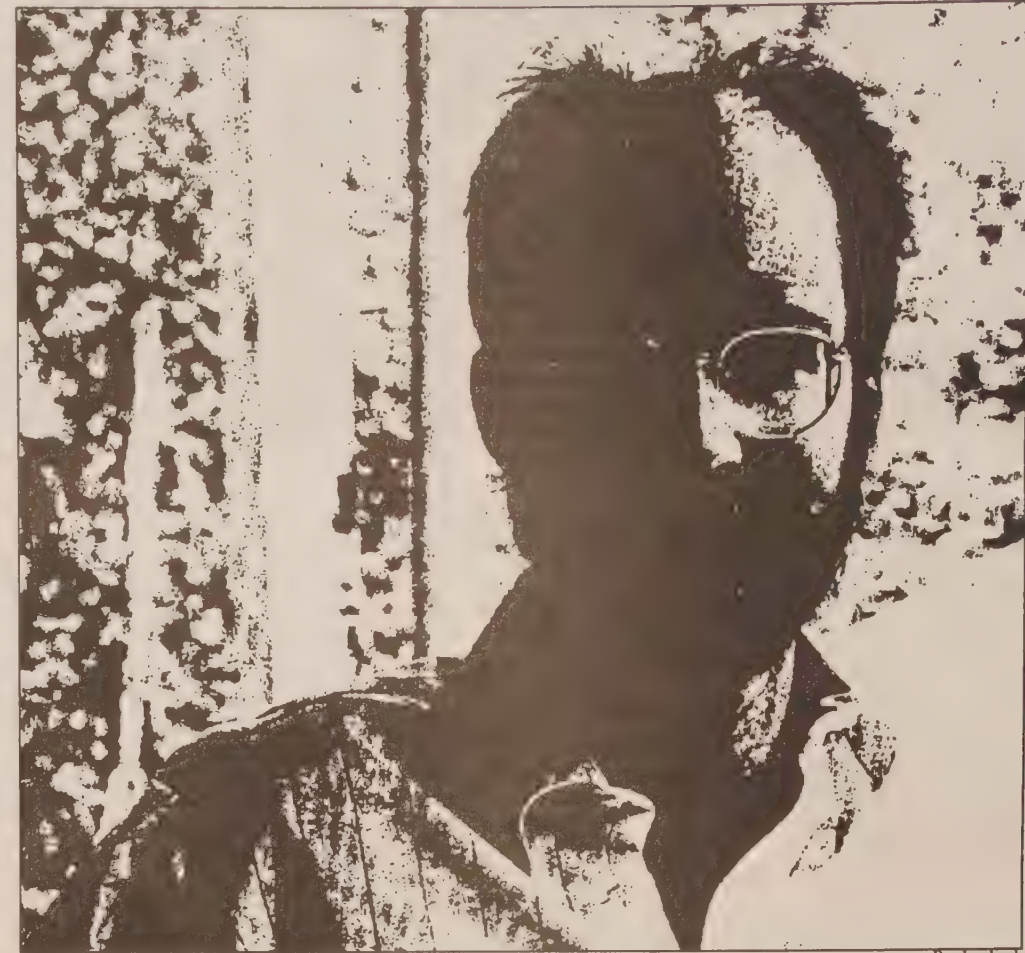
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past him at every moment. Fortunately for him, he has acquired the unusual ability to cease time for everyone but himself. The device he uses to do this he calls "the Fold," a name coined during childhood, when he discovered that he could flip a metaphysical switch and halt the gears of the universe—to "Drop," to use his term.

Granted, Arno does not explain the workings of the Fold in any scientific particulars. "I don't enquire into origins very often," he says early in the book, "fearing that too close a scrutiny will damage whatever interior states have given rise to it, since it is the most important ongoing adventure of my life." It is plain from his descriptions, however, that the Fold indeed resembles a world where time has come to a halt; cascading water droplets freeze in mid-air; vehicles and their passengers stop; weather patterns cease to evolve; thriving organisms become virtual statues; and normally trying situations such as Christmas shopping ("it's nice to browse in utter silence") or running into a person whose name has slipped from memory ("As soon as I hear an 'Arno, hi!' I can do a Drop and check purse or wallet ID and then greet whoever it is properly") become much more manageable.

From the first pages of *The Fermata* (the title refers to the musical notation that signals an indefinite pause), Arno informs the reader that the Fold is not a plaything, but the mechanism that sustains his greatest passions. The overwhelming majority of these center on women, their bodies, and their notions of secrecy. Arno, after all, is a preternaturally equipped voyeur, and he systematically uses his powers to stop time and ogle, admire, scope, grope, touch, pet and sometimes even take part in the lives of women who capture his fancy. He isn't very fickle about whom he freezes the universe to study ("I have fallen in love with women, many, many times, maybe a hundred and fifty times"), and his mind wanders quickly. He likes to find a target, Drop, and move on.

The Fermata is Arno's autobiography, a fact that he announces on the first page. He is typing it (so he continually points out) in the Fold, because that is where he concentrates best and because the Fold is what makes his life so singular. He suffers from many typical pains of the beginning writer (poor descriptions, circular structure, a tendency to repeat himself), but keeps at it because, as he reports of his abilities to Drop: "I have wanted to keep it a secret, and as a result it has swallowed up large chunks of my personality...I hope that



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will change now."

The Fermata, then, is something of a therapeutic document for Arno, a fact that does not make it any more agreeable to read. From the novel's opening scene, wherein Arno has entered the Fold so as to admire the pubic hair of a colleague at the office ("I could see her hipbones under her dress," he explains, "and I immediately knew it was time to Snap in."), the reader wonders what to make of this odd literary confession. The novel consists in large part of scenes that are, by their nature, compromising to everybody but the narrator. The details of these non-encounters, which seem to take place in non-time, are at once pornographic and surprisingly dull. During the lengthy course of *The Fermata*, under protection of the Fold, Arno plants devices in women's purses, does things to their bodies, presents them with explicit stories he has written in the Fold while they stood immobile nearby, masturbates often, and on occasion ponders the implications of writing his life story outside the curve of time.

What is perhaps most astonishing about *The Fermata* is how dead it is.

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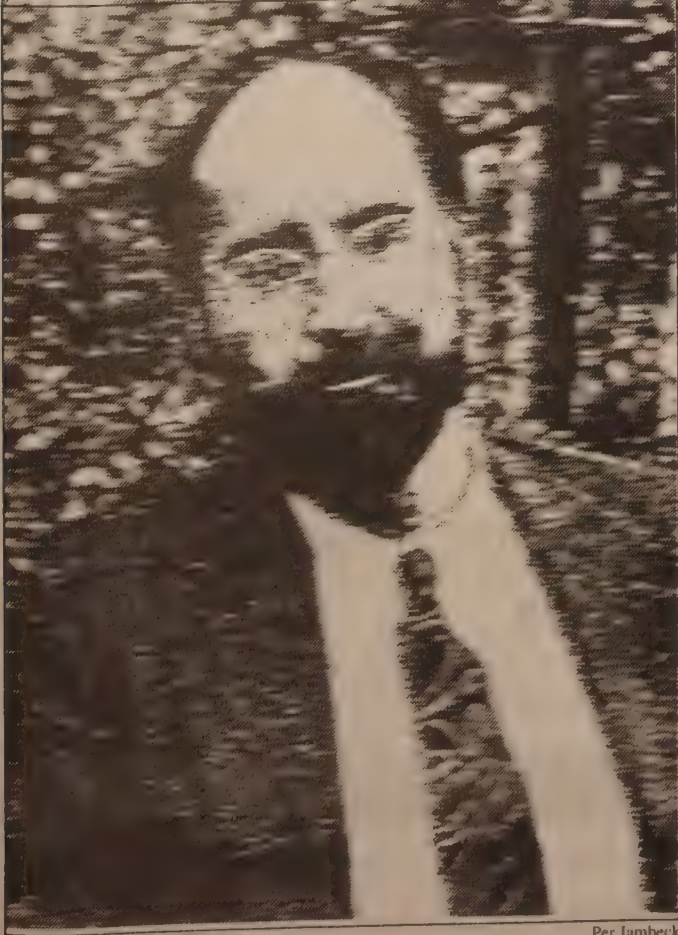
From the first scene of Arno's narrative, the insularity of his world is palpable, its contours dry and barren. Although Arno himself is often exuberant (he hatches a plan to disrobe an entire town and restart them with everyone in the nude; he wreaks mocking justice on a pack of muggers), the book never catches fire. Isolation has never crippled Baker's narrators before—indeed they seemed to thrive on it—but here it often overwhelms Arno's tale and bleaches his imagination of any variety. Brief appearances by one of his former girlfriends (Rhody) and his supervisor (Joyce) only underscore how void the story is of human implication.

This didn't need to be, as *The Fermata* is rich with potential for exploring the ways in which people try and fail to communicate. From Arno's overpowering alienation (which he denies) to the sharp sense of righteousness that pervades his narrative, not to mention questions of his sanity, morality and vulnerability (all of which he glosses over), the book comes off more as a frustrated epic than a shallow masturbatory fantasy. Questions abound: Is the Fold a product of Arno's clearly fecund imagination? Is he schizophrenic or somehow insane? Is the Fold a metaphor? Are all men like Arno at heart? And most important, do Arno's violations of women's lives and minds and bodies not really "count" because they take place out of real

time?

It becomes clear early in *The Fermata* that Arno has an answer for everything. "Morals depend in part on consequence; consequence on time," he argues, "and since my amoralties flourish and expire entirely in momentary pico-states of timeless inconsequence, the usual rules just don't have the same prohibitive force." On the question of his sanity he is equally facile. "I'm not by any means a crazy person...I'm friendly and likable," he writes. "I go out on the occasional date." While *The Fermata* does not take everything that Arno says as gospel, it comes dishearteningly close at times. The book steadily accepts his pat answers to difficult questions; the result is a morality tale that is far more trite and disturbing than the voyeuristic mentality it explores.

Nicholson Baker's earlier books were driven chiefly by their elaborate feats of timebending, pumping individual moments so full of sensation that they seemed likely to crack open the very stories in which they were blooming. *The Fermata* lacks any such energies, despite Arno's potentially fascinating ability. Here Baker diverts his hands from the tricky machinery of character and plot; even his trademark descriptive alchemy is sorely absent. What has grown in their place is a novel both rife with possibility—particularly in its risky choice of situations—and clogged with failed ambitions.



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Call Me When the Shuttle Lands...

Stowe and Harris Film , ‘China Moon’ , Predictably Disappointing

CHINA MOON
Directed by John Bailey
Produced by Barrie M. Osborne
Written by Roy Carlson
Director of Photography: Willy Kurant
Cast:
Rupert Munro.....Charles Dance
Adele.....Patricia Healy
Lamar.....Benicio Del Toro
Kyle.....Ed Harris
Rachel.....Madeleine Stowe

by **Kirstin Bruner**
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

I will admit that I am a thriller junkie. There is nothing I like more than a movie with just the right amount of suspense, sex, and at least a decent cast. However, “China Moon,” even with all these elements, did not work for me.

Madeleine Stowe, who must have a thing for cop movies, plays an abused wife who wants to get rid of her rather wealthy and violent husband, played by Charles Dance. As usual, Stowe gives her audience an excellent performance. The main problem was that I was left feeling as if I were watching a very good actress play a role that was either very limiting or that she was bored with. Charles Dance, however fared much better in his interpretation, with Southern charm, a flawless ac-

Charles Dance, however faired much better in his interpretation, with Southern charm, a flawless accent, and just the right dose of sliminess.



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Love at first bite: Ed Harris gets more than he bargained for when he embarks on a steamy affair with Madeleine Stowe in ‘China Moon.’

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Ed Harris plays the role of a homicide detective who begins an affair with Madeleine Stowe. “China Moon” opens as he artfully solves a murder. This crime has absolutely nothing to do with the film but is used to make the point that everyone is bound to make mistakes when they commit murder. In classic film noir style, we watch helplessly as Harris the typical naive, good guy, heads aimlessly into trouble.

The story creeps it way along at times, but speeds up when Stowe’s husband is killed and Harris’s young

and inexperienced partner, played by Benicio Del Toro, steps in all too eagerly to try his hand at solving the crime while Harris gets more and more agitated. The end of the movie comes on a little too fast but at least I had no clue what was going to happen.

One of the few high points of “Moon” was the cinematography. The movie was filmed on location in the Lakeland-Ocala-Tampa area, an extremely photogenic region that added an extra dimension to the thriller. The steamy, alligator-ridden swamps provided the most excitement of the movie.

Wait for “China Moon” to come out

on video or cable. The Florida setting, sweaty and steamy was cool and all, but spring break is approaching and some of us are probably headed that way anyway. They are also a lot better movies concerning the plotting woman manipulating a good guy, like “Body Heat” or “Black Widow.” Better yet, if you’re searching for that helpless viewing experience characterized by film noire, rent something like Hitchcock’s “Rebecca” or Orson Welles’ “Citizen Kane.”

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Orion Pictures

Forget all you may have heard about Southern gentleman. This guy is pure slime.



Orion Pictures

It’s Pete Sampras with an attitude: Benicio Del Toro is not as perfect as he seems.

How Cruel Can it Be?

Ben Harper Protests the Injustices of a Big Name Record Contract

WELCOME TO THE CRUEL WORLD
Ben Harper
Virgin Records

by **Aparna Mohan and Neal Nakra**
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Welcome to any East Village coffee house during the ...uh... I mean “Welcome to the Cruel World.” Life is rough for poor Ben Harper. This release from Virgin Records’ newest acoustic novice attempts to bottle and sell the typical protest anthem formula: acoustic guitar and not much of anything else. The formula itself can be quite moving when accompanied by thought provoking lyrics, as exemplified by Tracy Chapman, but where Chapman was eloquent, Harper seems contrite. Harper’s musical territory is securely rooted in the political soil of the 1960’s. On this album, Ben Harper mimics the simplistic style of other successful unplugged musicians but falls short of achieving their success because he doesn’t seem to be aiming his supposed message at anyone in particular.

The album’s first track is titled “The Three of Us” and is an acoustic guitar instrumental. In this song, Harper illustrates his full guitar ability, or lack thereof. Because the piece is an acoustic instrumental, one may presume that

Harper uses the plain guitar chords for effect. However, if the rest of the album is any indication of his ability, he embraces the simple style because his of his limited ability.

Harper’s instrumental limitations accompany his uncreative lyrics. For example, on the song “Don’t Take That Attitude to Your Grave,” Harper advises “Don’t take that attitude to your grave/ Might be too late for you I’m afraid/ Don’t take that attitude to your grave/ Don’t you take it there.” If an artist has a message to tell his audience, he should be able to articulate it in an intelligent manner that provokes introspection. It seems that Harper has this goal in mind but he goes about achieving it the wrong way.

He falls back on the safety-net of political statement with a commonly shared perspective on the Rodney King beating in the song “Like A King.” He seems to believe that this is what his audience cares about and therefore, as an artist, he should write about it. He has no genuine opinion, or if he does it is sugar-coated past the point of recognition. Harper contrasts “Martin [King]’s dream” with “Rodney [King]’s nightmare” in a very watered-down manner that does not set him apart from the other artists who have covered this significant event. (See Living Colour’s “This Little Pig” for an appropriate handling of the subject.)

Harper’s guitar ability is not strong enough to carry an entire song on its

own, but the few times that he allows his fellow musicians to contribute significantly, good music is produced. Case in point: the third track, “Breaking Down,” which exposes his potential. This song showcases his Aaron Neville-like voice and the successful combination of his Weissenborn acoustic guitar with an island drum sound and a syncopated bass line. Adding to the Aaron Neville comparison, Harper integrates a Creole-sounding accordion into the song “Mama’s Got A Girlfriend Now” and produces another very catchy tune. Because we know that Harper is capable of producing songs as good as these two, there is no excuse for the blarney of the other eleven songs on the album.

Ben Harper would sound perfect in any coffeehouse. However, the living room stereo system can not produce the same effect. If Harper wants to continue with this style of music, he should stay in the coffeehouses. If he wishes to expand his audience he must refine his sound and allow other musicians to contribute equally to his songs. Harper was given an opportunity and if Virgin gives him a second chance, he must develop his potential and craft songs that not only appeal to him, but also to a broader audience.

Aparna Mohan and Neal Nakra can be heard every Monday from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. on WHSR 530 AM. They play good music.

Peabody Notes

by Jean Mulherin

It must be a confusing, mystifying experience for the young criminal who begins his career in the streets and alley ways surrounding Peabody.

For the most part, Peabody students give off the impression that they are sitting ducks. A thief’s paradise. No football players, body builders, or weight lifters here. Sure, we have a number of pianists who bang the hell out of a Beethoven Sonata, but to the criminal mind this is hardly relevant. We are easy targets.

How does the fledgling thief feel after a night when the majority of his prey have been Peabody students? Are these less experienced criminals immediately recognizable by the number of tuning forks and metronomes they’ve collected? How many thugs are in the possession of Schubert Songs or Brahms piano pieces, figuring they must be worth something but unsure as to how to go about collecting that something?

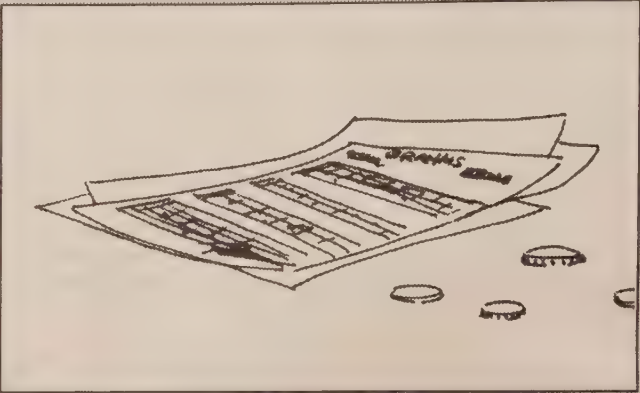
Not that the neighborhood is host to exclusively amateur crooks. The seasoned criminal whose been stealing from Peabs for a number of years might be overjoyed to finally get his hands on the complete recordings of Wagner’s Ring Cycle. On the other hand, no matter how experienced, the truly unenlightened mugger will make off with twenty dollars in cash, leaving the victim holding the twenty thousand dollar violin. This may sim-

ply be an indication of how desperate and confused the average criminal really is. But then, it’s my guess that an individual can steal only so many folding stands, batons, and chin rests before feeling compelled to re-evaluate his long-term career goals.

It’s true. We’re living in the crime ridden inner-city, but in the Mount Vernon neighborhood, Peabody students may just have the last laugh.

The Peabody Trio with guest artists Phyllis Bryn-Julson, soprano, and Loren Kitt, clarinet, will performed a program devoted to works of Shulamit Ran on Tuesday, March 15 at 8:15 p.m. in the Miriam A. Friedberg Concert Hall. Works to be performed include Excursions for piano trio; inscriptions for solo violin; and two works titled Mirage and Apprehensions. There will be a pre-concert panel discussion with the composer at 7:30 p.m. in the North Hall. Admission is free.

The Peabody Concert Orchestra will present the annual Klotz Memorial Concert on Friday, March 18 at 8:15 p.m. in the Miriam A. Friedberg Concert Hall. The program will feature Canticle Variations for orchestra by Peabody composer and theory faculty member Bruno Amato, Mozart’s Symphony No. 36 in C Major, (“Linz”) K. 425, and Mahler’s Symphony No. 4 in G Major. For ticket information call the Peabody Box Office at 659-8124.



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Faculty Appreciation Reception

Come enjoy light conversation and refreshments with faculty of the Schools of Arts & Sciences and Engineering and a special performance by the Hopkins AllNighters at 5:45 pm.
March 14, 1994, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm
Glass Pavilion at Levering Union

and

Faculty Roundtable Discussions

Come discuss your favorite topics over coffee and dessert with some of Hopkins’ best faculty
March 15, 1994, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm
Gilman Hall Lobby

Sponsored by the Student Council, Provost, Deans of Arts & Sciences, Engineering, and Homewood Student Affairs, and the Alumni Association

Science

Ethical and Scientific Questions of Embryo Research to Be Answered By Muller Panel

Second of two parts
by Andrew D. Lipman
and News-Letter Staff

News-Letter: Is there any privately funded human embryo research in the United States that is not performed at an in vitro fertilization clinic?

Steven Muller: The only answer I can give you is "not to my knowledge." Almost all of the major research in this area is pretty heavily dependent on the National Institutes of Health for funding. I said that this can now be done by laboratory technicians, but you are still dealing with very complicated equipment that is very expensive. If you are in the in vitro fertilization business you make enough income to have the equipment. But I'm not aware of scholarly research in this area in the United States at all, at the moment.

N-L: What connection did Hopkins have with the Joneses' project?

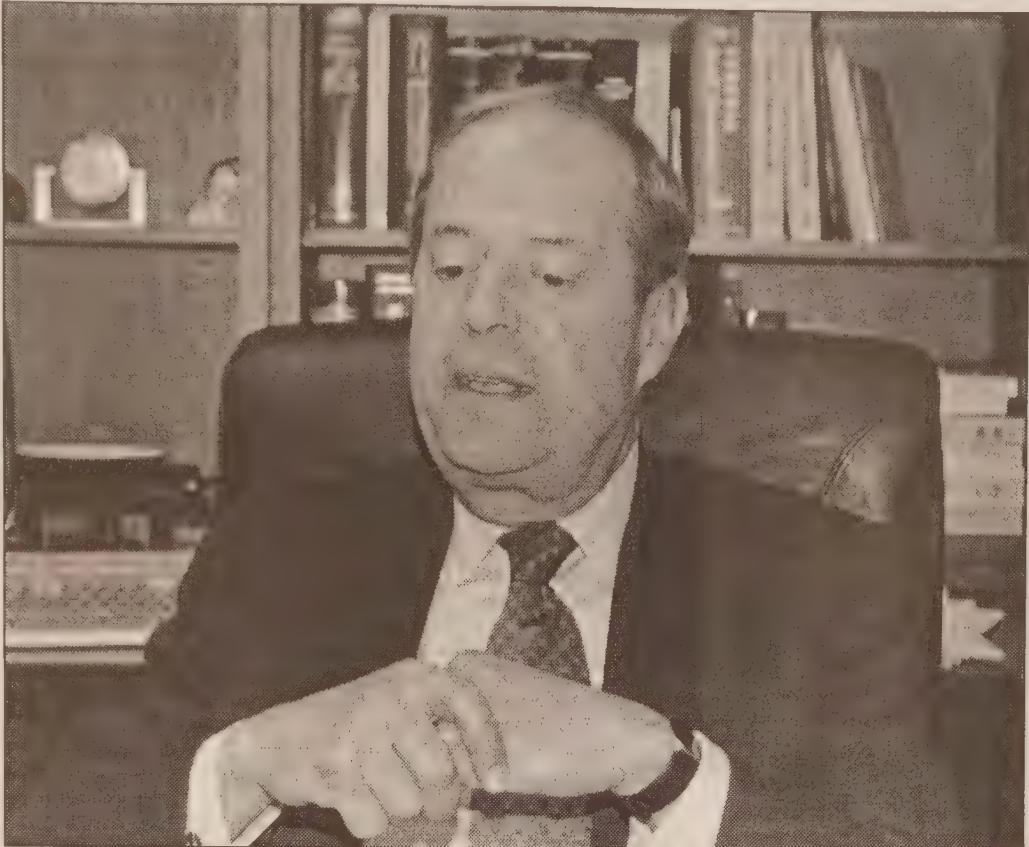
SM: The Joneses were gynecologists that were very interested in the possibility of what was then called artificial insemination and is now called in vitro fertilization. They would not have been able to carry on that project at Hopkins. It was definitely not a Hopkins project. They left Hopkins in order to do this.

N-L: Are fertilization clinic technicians represented on the panel?

SM: No.

N-L: What have you learned about the issue that surprised you?

SM: There are frankly a whole complicated series of issues that don't readily occur to you when you first think about this. I'll give you an example. Suppose you have a couple who are unable to conceive a child and who want to use the in vitro fertilization technique. And suppose that somehow



Dylan Butler O'Sullivan/The Johns Hopkins News-Letter
Former JHU Pres. Steven Muller heads the embryo research panel whose results are due in July.

because they are not wealthy, that they get the money together—which could be as much as ten thousand dollars—to have this service. And supposing that the panel were to recommend that human embryo research be restricted to surplus embryos which are the result of the in vitro fertilization technology. And suppose that the panel said one of the conditions that must apply is the informed consent of both donors, i.e. parents, and that the consent must not only be informed but voluntary.

Then the question arises, if in order to get their permission to use a surplus embryo which is the result of their cell donations you pay them for that em-

bryo, does that influence voluntary consent? What if people who have to scrape together with a lot of effort, several thousand dollars to achieve a pregnancy are then offered [and accept] several thousand dollars to use one of their embryos. Is that voluntary or is that bribery? We have plenty of instances where payment is made for blood donations. In some cases payment has been made for human organs.

For the research that the panel recommends be done, we are also supposed to produce recommended guidelines. So what we're looking at is, what kind of science is absolutely dependent on human embryo research? A tremen-

dous amount is being done on mice and other animals. What kind of research can only be done on the human embryo and is that research sufficiently significant to warrant human embryo experimentation? If it is important, is it important therapeutically or is it important scientifically or both? All you have to do—it sounds so simple—for some very significant research is take one or two cells from an embryo. That probably does not prevent that embryo from being successfully implanted and causing a pregnancy.

Epidural Anesthetic Drug Offers Sickle Cell Patients Relief

Epidural therapy has yielded successful results in treating children's pain from sickle-cell anemia, according to doctors at Johns Hopkins Children's Center.

The vaso-occlusive crisis is caused by a lack of oxygen in the legs, abdomen, chest and arms from the effect of sickled red blood cells clogging the arteries. Dr. Myron Yaster, Director of Hopkins' Pediatric Pain Service, compares the pain these children feel to those that women experience during labor and childbirth. The pain can make breathing difficult and lead to further lack of oxygen and possibly heart failure, lung collapse and death.

The epidurals, analgesic drugs injected through a catheter into the spine,

blocks pain along nerve pathways. Other narcotic methods doctors have tried had negative side effects on the children.

On trials of 9 children ages 3-16, pain scores reported by the children before the epidural was administered were 9 on a scale of 10. Fifteen minutes after the treatment, scores plummeted to 1 out of 10.

Further studies are planned to determine accuracy of pain scores and the effect on blood oxygenation.

—News-Letter Staff

Biology Professors Receive Award for His Work

Dr. Saul Roseman of the Biology Department was honored recently with the Karl Meyer Award for his work of more than forty years on complex carbohydrates.

—N-L Staff

The Squid What Happens to a Computer File When It Is Deleted?

Those who know what a linked list is probably have already guessed the answer. But to learn the concept of linked lists is more complicated than to answer the question.

The idea of file organization is based upon directories. When a file gets erased, the computer removes that file from the directory. All the data remains intact; only the pointer to the file is removed. A pointer indicates to the computer where to access the information a user has written.

The only time the information may actually be deleted is when a new file is saved. In saving, the computer puts the new information anywhere it finds space. This new file may or may not be saved where the deleted file once was. That's why an accidentally deleted file can often be recovered.

Female Students Can Earn \$1,500 For Donating Their Eggs

by Aimee Green
College Press Service

'Wanted: Female egg donors. Earn \$1,500.'

What? You may have seen this ad printed in the daily classified ad section and wondered if it were real. Yes, it's true. Healthy females between the ages of 21 and 34 can donate their eggs to an infertile recipient.

The University of Washington Medical Center's Fertility and Endocrine Clinic has performed 300 egg donation attempts since its Donor Oocyte (Greek for egg) Program began in 1988.

According to Gretchen Sewall, the program's coordinator, nearly 40 percent of all donor attempts have resulted in pregnancy.

In the United States, one of every six couples is infertile, according to medical statistics. Sewall defines infertility as the failure to become pregnant after one year of attempts.

Egg donation is possible when a woman is physically capable of carrying a child, but not able to use her own eggs. Called in vitro fertilization, the process is useful for women who have a family history of genetic disease, dysfunctional ovaries unable to produce mature eggs, no ovaries, or are postmenopausal.

Doctors begin by removing approximately 10 eggs from a donor's ovaries. The eggs are incubated with the father's sperm for 48 hours in the lab and the resulting embryos are placed in the recipient's uterus.

Since egg donor programs began opening around the country in the last decade, few states have drafted legislation to directly address the legality of egg donation.

Washington state has no laws specifically directed toward egg donation and relies on interpretations of pre-existing laws regarding tissue donations.

Under Washington state law, the woman who gives birth to a child is the legal mother, regardless of where the egg came from. Her husband is the legal father.

The donor has no legal rights or obligations.

The donors are young women, between the ages of 21 and 34, who anonymously offer to donate 10 of

their eggs to an infertile couple.

After filling out an extensive eight-page application, the clinic researches the donor's family history, physical and emotional health and probable fertility.

If the donor is qualified, a "donor profile sheet" giving her complete phenotype is created. Information about her physical characteristics, personal interests, academic goals, and reasons for donating eggs are included in the sheet.

The "donor profile sheet" is put into a catalog, called the "donor notebook," from which recipient couples can choose a donor.

Donor Oocyte Program staff review the couple's decision to make sure there is no significant risk in combining the genes of the donor and the couple.

Once selected, the donor is given daily injections of a combination of the hormones clomid and pergonal for seven days to stimulate the ovaries to develop many eggs. Next the donor is given the hormone human chorionic gonadotropin (HCG) to trigger ovulation.

Thirty-four hours after HCG is administered, the eggs are mature and ready to be removed.

In a technique called sonographic egg recovery, ultrasound is used to locate the exact location of the mature eggs. A probe with a needle on the end collects eggs from the ovaries. The entire process takes about 45 minutes.

Forty-eight hours of incubation with the father's sperm produces embryos of varying quality.

About 80 percent of the eggs become embryos adequate for implantation.

Meanwhile, the recipient has been preparing her body for pregnancy with one month of estrogen and progesterone treatment.

Three or four of the embryos are placed in the recipient woman's uterus. Implanting multiple embryos gives the woman the best chance possible for pregnancy.

If one or more embryos implant themselves in the lining of her uterus, she will become pregnant.

If none of the embryos are implanted, the process can be repeated with the remainder of the embryos.

If the donation is successful, the woman will continue to take hormones for the next 10 weeks until her body

recognizes and adapts to the pregnancy.

"At that point the placenta will take over," Sewall said. "She should go on to have a normal pregnancy like anyone else and give birth."

The entire procedure costs the recipient couple anywhere from \$8,000 to \$10,000.

According to Sewall, the UW Fertility and Endocrine Clinic has more than 50 couples waiting for an egg donor.

As with any complex medical procedure, there are some small but definite risks for egg donors and recipients.

Multiple pregnancy is the biggest risk for the egg recipient. Egg recipients have a 50 percent chance of having two or more children — most often twins.

This can increase complications during pregnancy. In the general population of women under 35, one of every 200 women has a multiple pregnancy.

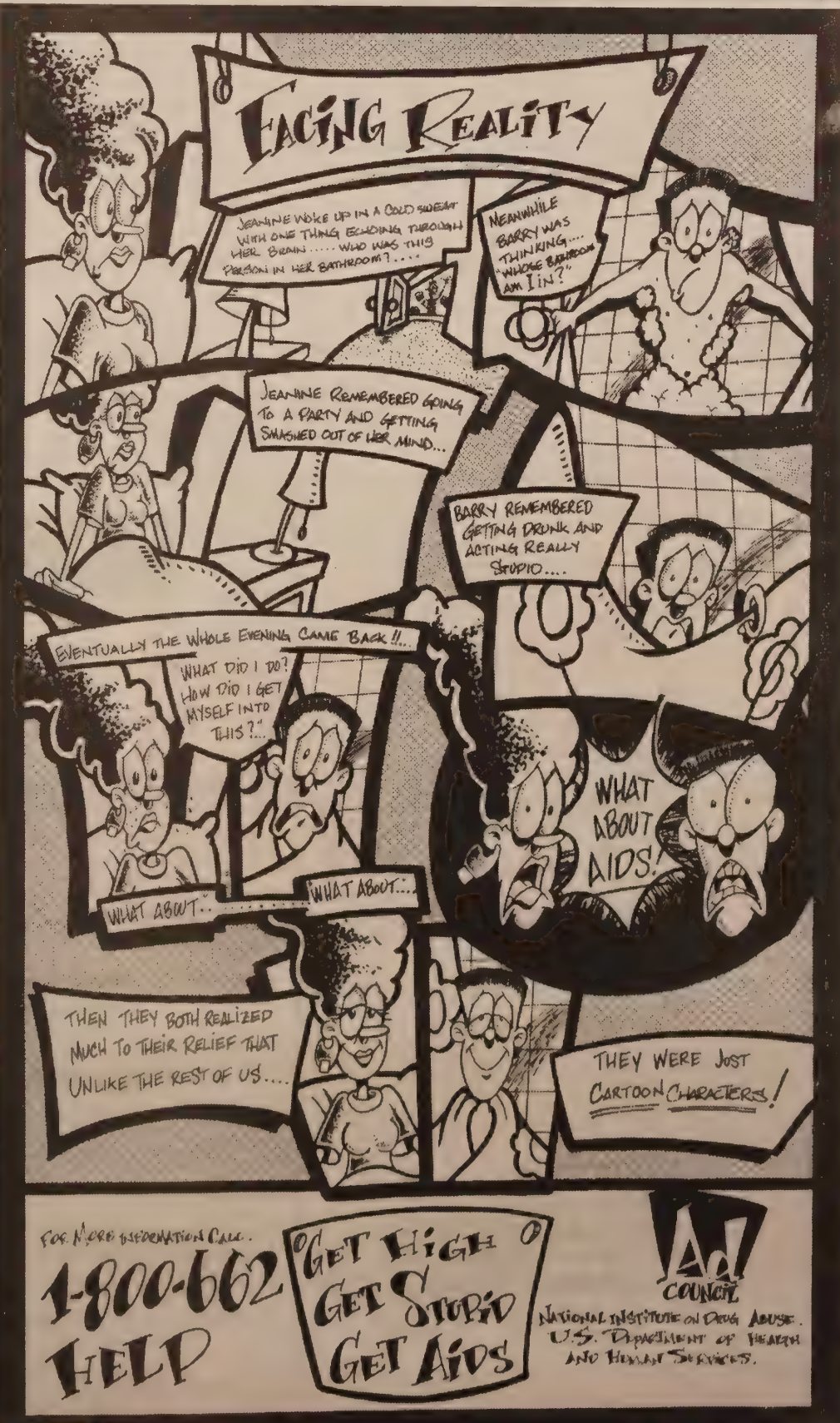
Due to the use of hormones, donors can experience headaches, moodiness, dizziness, or blurred vision. There is also the risk of overstimulating the ovaries, requiring bed rest and possible hospitalization.

Although extremely rare, there is the potential of damaging one or both of the donors' ovaries, resulting in a partial or complete loss of fertility. For her 10 days of hormone treatments, blood tests, ultrasounds and time spent in contact with the clinic, the egg donor is paid \$1,500.

"She's not being paid for her eggs. We're not selling organs or tissue," said Sewall. "She's being paid for her desire to help, her hassle for having to come in for all those appointments and the discomforts associated with...the procedure."

In comparison with male sperm donors, female egg donors undergo a more complicated process and are accordingly compensated.

According to Dr. Mary Forster, Director of Reproductive Technologies at Swedish Medical Center, sperm donors are paid \$45 for each acceptable sperm specimen. Donors are encouraged to come in at least once a week and can come in up to twice a week. The typical donor can visit the clinic for up to three months, at which time he has donated the maximum number of sperm samples allowed.



Calendar

March 11, 1994 — March 17, 1994

FRIDAY MARCH 11

FILM

Weekend Wonderfix
"The Three Musketeers" will play at Weekend Wonderfix this weekend. I'm willing to bet that the movie times will be somewhere between 12:00 noon and 12:00midnight. Morespecifically the movies should occur at 8:00 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., but if you're sure that I'm unsure (which is entirely possible after this week), then you can call x8666 and find out. That's eight and then 666, I'mnot joking try it, it's the Weekend Wonderfix Film line. From the melodious voice you may be able to decipher that there is no Film on Saturday.

"Indochine"
At 9:00 p.m., Alumni Memorial Residence TV Room, "Indochine," a 1992 dramatization of Marguerite Duras' novel of colonial Vietnam.

"Rashoman"
At 11:00p.m., Alumni Memorial Residence TV Room, "Rashoman," anearly film by legendary Japanese director Akira Kurosawa.

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CONCERTS/CLUBS

Eight by Ten
Sorry About Your Daughter will play progressive music. 10 East Cross Street is the location of Eight by Ten. Call 625-2000 for information.

Coffee House Uptown
Robin Bullock and Lisa Moscatiello will play at Coffee House Uptown beginning at 8:00 p.m. Wilson Memorial UM Church hosts Coffee House Uptown and is located at 3509 North Charles St. Call 235-4251 for information.

Meyerhoff Symphony Hall
The Baltimore Symphony Orchestra with Gunther Herbig as

conductor, Camillia Johnson singing soprano, Jard van Nes singing mezzo-soprano, Michael Schade singing tenor, and Gary Relyea singing bass. At 8:15 p.m., with Meyerhoff Symphony Hall being located at 1212 Cathedral Street and information available at 783-8000 and 547-9200.

ON CAMPUS

Hoppy Hour
From 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., in the Great Hall, Levering Hall, pianist Keni Mikami performs Japanese folk and American jazz. Event is co-sponsored by the Towson State Asian Art Center.

Asian Bazaar
From noon to 6 p.m., the Asian market and bazaar with craft demonstrations and sales, Asian food and demonstrations of cultural weddings, folk dances, martial arts and Karaoke singing will be in the Glass Pavilion, Levering Hall.

Barnstormers
The Johns Hopkins University Barnstormers in association with the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs proudly present, "Fences," a drama in 3 arts by August Wilson. This Friday, March 11, Saturday, March 12, and Sunday March 13 at 8:00 p.m. All performances in the Arellano Theater. Admission is \$3 for students, \$4 for non-students. Don't miss it!!! Can you find this text elsewhere in the News-Letter?

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Coffee Grounds
Starting at 10 p.m. in the Great Hall, sponsored by RAB. It's a great time to relax with coffee and Hot Chocolate before you head of toward the sun.

OFF CAMPUS

Ballet British Columbia
The best of the West is heading East as Ballet British Columbia embarks on its first your of the eastern United States. The Company, from Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, will visit 13 cities in eight states from February 28 through March 24, 1994. Only days after making their New York debut at the prestigious Brooklyn College of Music, Ballet British Columbia performs as part of the Guest Artist Series at the Performing Arts Center at Montgomery College—Rockville today at 8 p.m. in the greater Washington-Baltimore metropolitan area's only appearance. For a Performing Arts Center season brochure, or Ballet British Columbia tickets and information, call the Box Office at (301)279-5301. Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Tickets are on sale now! Price is \$15.00 General and \$13 Students and Senior Citizens. Group rates are available.

SATURDAY MARCH 12

FILM

Anime
At 3 p.m. in the Arellano Theater, Levering Hall, a Japanese animation film will be played.

Raise the Red Lantern
At 9p.m., Alumni Memorial Residence TV Room, "Raise the Red Lantern," a 1992 film from China.

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"Little Women"
Set amidst a swirl of petticoats, a rush of youthful exuberance and the infectious magic of girlish glee, "Little Women," tells the timelessly powerful tale of the March family—Meg, Jo, Beth, Amy, and Marmee. Based on Louisa May Alcott's own childhood, "Little Women" is a story of growing up and moving on, of making choices, of love and devotion, of strength and courage, laughter and tears, yet always remaining a family. "Little Women" focuses on Jo, the second oldest of the sisters, following her journey from a young, headstrong, and impulsive girl, who would rather box with boys than dance with them, into a fully realized woman who finally finds her acceptance as a writer. Desperate for adventure and passionate about writing, she sets off to find her way in the world, only to return and draw strength and inspiration from the family who loves her. For a season brochure or tickets and information, call the Performing Arts Center Box Office at (301)279-5301. Hours: Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.- 7 p.m. and two hours before showtime. Tickets are \$5 General Admission (Groups of 15 or more; \$4.25 each).

CONCERTS/CLUBS

Cancellation
The Sanders, Kass & White benefit concert scheduled for today has been cancelled. It is expected to be rescheduled for some time in the fall. For further information,

contact: Ilene Roberts, (410) 235-5896.

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ON CAMPUS

Indian festival
From noon to 4 p.m., South Asian Student Association is sponsoring a celebration of Holi, an Indian festival in which participants playfully decorates each other with paint on the "Beach."

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OFF CAMPUS

Fantasia
From 9p.m. to 2a.m., Glass Pavilion, Levering Hall, "Fantasia," a dance open to students from all area colleges.

Dance at The Roots Cafe
The Roots Cafe is a not-for-profit, smoke-free, kid-friendly dance venue located in the St. John's United Methodist Church, 27th and St. Paul St., Baltimore, MD. Music begins at 8:00 p.m. and continues until midnight. Admission is \$6.00 unless otherwise specified; children under 12 are admitted free. The Roots Cafe is sponsored by the Society for the Preservation of American Roots Music (SPARM) and the St. John's Church. The Grandsons of the Pioneers to be feature today at 8:00 p.m. Last fall this popular quartet released a new album It's Hip to Flip with the Grandsons of the Pioneers at the Roots Cafe, and they're back, by popular demand! The Grandsons feature Alan MacEwen on guitar and trumpet, Chris Watling on saxophone and accordian, Jon Danforth on drums and Rick Jor-

dan on bass.

Performance Art
At the Baltimore Museum of Art at 8:00p.m., the Bebe Miller Company presents the "Jimi Hendrix Project." The Baltimore Museum of Art is located next to the News-Letter Gatehouse at North Charles and 31st streets. Call 889-1993 for information.

Black Heritage Dinner
The Black Student Union will hold a dinner at 5:30 p.m. at the Evergreen house at 4545 North Charles Street. The fee for admission is \$5.00 and a reservation is required. Call x5435 for information or reservation.

SUNDAY MARCH 13

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Baltimore Film Forum
Good Evening Mr. Wallenberg is playing at the Baltimore Film Forum. The Baltimore Museum of Art is located next to the News-Letter Gatehouse at North Charles and 31st streets. Call 889-1993 for information.

SPORTS

Men's Fencing
The Blue Jay Invitation is to be held this Weekend at 9:00 a.m. See the men point out the way to victory for the last time this season. Come and watch the foils fly as the frustration of the week before Spring Break at Hopkins manifests itself in skill and quickness.

BIA Billiards Tournament
Scratch it up in Levering Hall. Be there or be square, sorry could resist.

JV Baseball
JV at JHU playing Ball, what more to say but 12:00 noon.

ON CAMPUS

Sunday Mass
Catholic Mass is held in the Glass Pavilion at 11:00 a.m, however, all visitors are welcome. Father Riepe will preside and present a sermon, as well as offer communion.

Hopkins Theater
Lynda Barry's play "The Good Times are Killing Me" is presented in the Merrick Barn at 2:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Admission \$5.

SASH Event
"Holi," a festival of colors, will be held by the South Asian Students at Hopkins on the Homewood beach starting at 12:00 p.m.

HOMES Fashion Show
It's a fabulous frenzy of fantastic fashion at the Glass Pavilion 5:00 p.m.

Phi Mu Pastathon
In Levering from 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. If you don't know about this one, then go and find out. Check out those great sisters at Hopkins all the time.

OFF CAMPUS

Baltimore Museum of Art
"Pro Musica Rara," an early music ensemble in residence at the BMA presents a concert titled "et in Arcadia ego." The Baltimore Museum of Art is located next to the News-Letter Gatehouse at North Charles and 31st streets. Call 889-1993 for information.

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Arena Stage
I'd Rather Be Right, a rarely performed 1937 musical about a U.S. President who must balance the budget so that a spunky young couple can get married, will be presented in a concert version in Arena Stage's Kreeger Theater for one performance only. The show, to be followed by a gala cast party, will benefit the Living Stage Theatre Company, Arena Stage's community outreach theater. For more information about the benefit, please call the Arena Stage Development Office at (202) 554-9066.

CONCERTS/CLUBS

Eight by Ten
It's still the New Stage Night at the Rev; it's already old. Legion Lost, Mars Hill, Eye Monarch, and Fiberglass will play starting at 8:30 p.m. 10 East Cross Street is the location of Eight by Ten. Call 625-2000 for information.

LECTURES

Women's History Month
"Eleanor Roosevelt: Women, Politics and Power" Blanche Wiesen Cook, History and Women's Studies; John Jay College, Garrett Room, MSE Library, 5:30 p.m.

SPORTS

Men's Tennis
Men's Tennis against Loyola; Watch as they volley the competition. I guarantee you'll love it, especially if the Men's Tennis Team doesn't love it.

ON CAMPUS

Anonymous H.I.V. Testing
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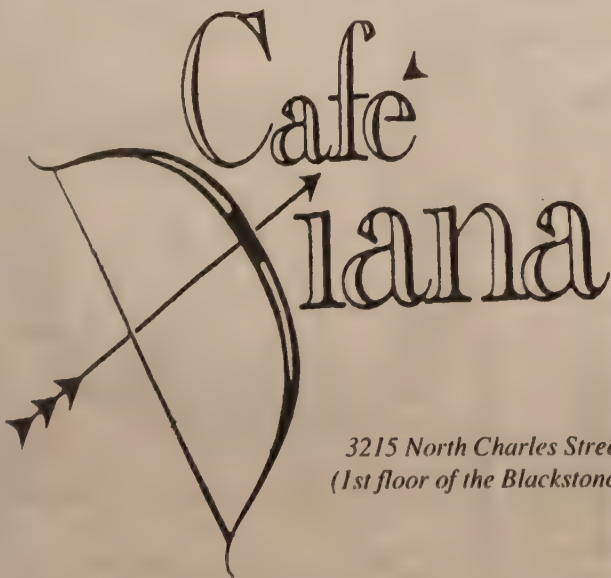
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Baltimore Film Forum
"Speak Up, It's so Dark" plays at the Baltimore Film Forum. The Baltimore Museum of Art is located next to the *News-Letter* Gatehouse at North Charles and 31st streets. Call 889-1993 for information.

CONCERTS/CLUBS
Peabody Conservatory Concert
The "Peabody Trio" will perform in the Miriam A. Friedburg Hall with free admission. Peabody is accessible to Hopkins Students by the shuttle that picks up behind Shriver Hall, see posted shuttle schedules on campus. Peabody Institute is located at 1 East Mount Vernon Place with Friedburg Concert Hall at 659-8124 and North Hall at 659-8140.

LECTURES
Lorna Simpson Lecture
Lorna Simpson will give a slide lecture on her work at 7:30 p.m. in the Mount Royal Station Auditorium. Simpson, a photographer who has recently exhibited her work at the Museum of Modern Art, the Whitney Museum of American Art, and at galleries across the country was in 1990 one of the youngest recipients ever of the prestigious Louis Comfort Tiffany Award. Her work, which has been reviewed in the *New York Times*, *ARTnews*, *Artforum*, and *Art in America*, uses images and words to convey politically and sexually charged issues to the viewer. "The power of Lorna Simpson's photo and text works derives a taut balance of assertions and ambiguity," according to *ARTnews* reviewer, Alice R.

Gray. Her black and white photographs are engraved with brief narrative texts. Free food and open to the public. Advanced tickets for Annie Sprinkle's performance must be obtained from the Maryland Institute Call (410) 225-2300 for ticket information. The Mount Royal Station is located at the corner of Mount Royal Avenue and Cathedral Street.

1994 Spring Chemistry Colloquium
Professor Albert S. Mildvan from Johns Hopkins Medical Institution will speak on "Studies of Enzymes Which Catalyze Nucleophilic Substitution at Phosphorous" in Remsen room 233.

SPORTS
JV Baseball
It's JV Baseball against Genesee CC. It should be an incredible time to relax at the baseball field.

Women's Lacrosse
We have a Women's Lacrosse Team, watch as they LAX on the field because they're just that good. It's against Salisbury State at 4:00 p.m.

ON CAMPUS
Open meetings
Open meetings with Chaplain Candidates are scheduled today 3-4 p.m., AMR Multipurpose Room, Reverend Diana Akiyama, Associate Dean of the Chapel, Stanford University, California.

Young Trustee Elections
Ballots will be available for all undergraduates for the Young Trustee General Election.

Homewood Discussion Group
Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual discussion and social group meets weekly on campus at 7:30 p.m. Enjoy pizza after each meeting, for more information (like the location) call Bob at 889-7081.

Faculty Roundtable Discussions
Talk in small groups with distinguished, the ones that speak English and wanted to talk, Hopkins Faculty members on the topics of your choice while you enjoy free coffee and dessert in Gilman Hall lobby. It's a very interesting time if you've never been, a little formal though.

will be showing at 8:00 p.m and 10:05 p.m. Be there at Reel World or be somewhere else packing for home, or the Virgin Islands, or even both. The fiotvff khfkfhk [from Ganesh, copy editor] (this is a sexual code, if you figure it out, it will heighten your viewing pleasure). The title contains the word carnal, which according to the 1993 American Heritage College Dictionary means: (1) Relating to the physical and especially sexual appetites (2) Wordly or earthly; temporal (3) Of or relating to the body or the flesh. That about sums it up.

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LECTURES
Wednesday Noon Series
Soprano Carolyn Black and pianist Michael Carl will present a performance titled "Songs Up Off the Parlor Floor: A Vaudevillian Victorian Romp." The performance is part of the Wednesday Noon Series presented by the Johns Hopkins University's Office of Special Events. All programs in the series are held at noon in the Garrett Room of the Milton S. Eisenhower Library on the university's Homewood campus at 3400 North Charles Street in Baltimore. Admission is free. For information, call the Office of Special Events at (410) 516-7157.

THURSDAY MARCH 17

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Ntozake Shange, the acclaimed writer-performer, will read from her work at 7 p.m. at the Johns Hopkins University. The reading will take place in Arellano Theater, located on the lower level in Levering Hall on the JHU Homewood campus, 3400 North Charles St. in Baltimore. Admission is free. Shange is known best for her play, "For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide/When the Rainbow is Enuf". The play for produced on Broadway and internationally, became a best-selling book and was produced for television by PBS. Ultimately, For Colored Girls was nominated for Tony, Grammy, Obie and Emmy awards.

Anthropology
Professor Robert M. Hayden of the Anthropology Department at the University of Pittsburgh will speak on "Denaturalization: Turning Fellow Citizens into Aliens in Post-Communist Eastern Europe" 4:00 p.m. in 404 Macaulay Hall, Homewood.

SPORTS
Women's Lacrosse
It's the Women's Lacrosse team as they play against the College of Notre Dame at 4:00 p.m..

ON CAMPUS
Book Sale
The 8th Annual Hurt and Used

Book Sale will be held today from noon to 7 p.m. and tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Great Hall in Levering Hall on the Johns Hopkins University Homewood Campus. All books sell for \$2 a pound. Proceeds from the sale go to the Johns Hopkins Press Staff Development Fund, which subsidizes career development for Press employees. SDF is a not-for-profit organization.

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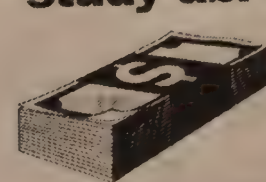
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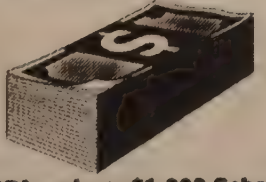
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“I think I’d like to give a message to the young people of America and that is: we shall continue to abuse our position and fuck up the mainstream. God bless you.”
—U2 lead singer Bono, accepting the Best Alternative Album Grammy on March 1, 1994.

Oops! You don’t think that Bono purposely used an expletive on live television, do you? No, of course not! Later in the telecast, Bono would have the privilege of introducing lifetime achievement award winner Frank Sinatra. During a moving tribute in which he called Sinatra “chairman of the bad,” Bono concluded by saying Sinatra was “living proof that God is a Catholic.” A week later, CBS would telecast the People’s Choice Awards on a seven second tape delay.

This week’s quiz covers Ireland, in part because of Bono’s show-stealing remarks at the Grammys, and in part because St. Patrick’s Day is next week. The connection is somewhat shaky, but the QM didn’t have any better ideas for this week’s quiz. Besides, although the QM is not Irish, he has used several Irish pseudonyms while writing *News-Letter* articles this year. And don’t forget, Olympic silver medalist Nancy Kerrigan has a very Irish name (you were wondering how the QM would get in a Tonya Harding reference this week?). For this week’s quiz, the QM would like to thank the *News-Letter*’s Peabody connection for her help on a few of the questions. In her honor, the QM will make a brief disparaging remark about Ian Paisley, although the quiz will not include a question about how he’s the “nastiest man in Ireland.”

This column is a bit short this week, since two sets of quiz answers from last week need to be printed. This quiz is a bit harder than either of last week’s—probably a good thing given the number of perfect entries coming in this week. Since the *News-Letter* won’t publish again until after spring break, the QM is feeling generous and will give entrants an extra day this week. Quiz entries are due in the QM’s box at the Gatehouse at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 17 (St. Patrick’s Day). All readers of the *News-Letter* who aren’t on the staff are eligible. The winner gets a case of beer to be dyed green and ten dollars for green munchies. If you’re going away, enjoy the break—if not, stop by the Gatehouse to say “hi” to the QM.

1. He wrote *Dubliners* and *Ulysses*.
2. In early 1983, Michael Jackson spent ten of eleven weeks atop the *Billboard* singles chart with “Billie Jean” and “Beat It”—Jackson’s run at the top was interrupted by this song by IRA members Dexy’s Midnight Runners.
3. This U2 song commemorates a police attack on demonstrators in Dublin on Sunday, August 31, 1913.
4. Falls Road is the Catholic section of this Northern Ireland capital.
5. She tore up a photo of Pope John Paul II on “Saturday Night Live” in October, 1992—she now claims she was suffering from mental stress at the time.



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6. Leader of Sinn Fein, the political wing of the IRA, who was briefly allowed to enter the United States recently.
7. Rap group that recorded the '92 hit “Jump Around.”
8. Current president of the Republic of Ireland who is the first woman ever to hold that position.
9. Ex-Beatle who once recorded the song, “Give Ireland Back To The Irish.”
10. Irish novelist/playwright who wrote *Waiting for Godot* and won the 1969 Nobel Prize for Literature.
11. Decade in which the nineteenth century potato famine occurred.
12. The first and most famous of ten Irish nationalist hunger strikers to die in the H-blocks of Maze Prison in 1981.
13. Year in which 26 of 32 counties left the British Commonwealth to form the Republic of Ireland.
14. Music group led by Bob Geldof who recorded “I Don’t Like Mondays.”
15. Brewed hot beverage containing Irish whiskey and topped with cream.
16. Irish poet/playwright and 1923 Nobel Prize winner who wrote “Four Bells—four deep tragic notes in Irish history”—each referring to an event at the turn of a century.
17. Colm Meaney stars as the head of a working class family in this movie currently playing at the Rotunda.
18. Three colors of the flag of the Republic of Ireland.
19. Best Actor Oscar nominee Daniel Day-Lewis plays Gerry Conlon in this movie about a gang of Irishmen who were blamed for

IRA terrorist acts.
20. Stone in a 15th century castle near Cork—legend has it that those who kiss the stone receive the gift of persuasive eloquence.

Bonus/tiebreaker: Name the last four football coaches of the Notre Dame Fighting Irish.

Last week’s “Who Needs A Bride?” quiz produced five entries, four of them perfect. Runners-up are Patrick Dizon, the Nelsons, and Paul Gass. The winner is **Kristin “Walking Down the Aisle To Claim My Prize” Giannini**. As for the lacrosse opponents quiz, all four entries were perfect. Runners-up are Dizon, the Nelsons and Jeremy Epstein. The winner is **Allan “I Could Score On The Hopkins Defense” Holtzman**. Congratulations Kristin and Allan—stop by the Gatehouse to see the business manager’s lovely plant and claim your prizes.

The answers to the “Who Needs A Bride?” quiz are: 1. Tiny Tim & Miss Vicki 2. Lyle Lovett & Julia Roberts 3. Shannen Doherty & Ashley Hamilton 4. Martha & Saul Roseman 5. Bob & Elizabeth Dole 6. Paul Newman & Joanne Woodward 7. Madonna & Sean Penn 8. James Carville & Mary Matalin 9. Prince Charles & Princess Diana 10. Kenneth Branagh & Emma Thompson 11. Joy Philbin & Frank Gifford 12. Phil Donahue & Marlo Thomas 13. Billy Joel & Christie Brinkley 14. Ike & Tina Turner 15. Tom & Roseanne Arnold 16. Joey & Mary Jo Buttafuoco 17. Garry Trudeau & Jane Pauley 18. Ahmad & Phylicia Rashad 19. Mia Farrow & Andre Previn 20. “The Wedding Banquet.”

Bonus/tiebreaker: Nicky Hilton, Michael Wilding, Michael Todd, Eddie Fisher, Richard Burton, Richard Burton, John Warner, Larry Fortensky.

The answers to the lacrosse opponents quiz are: 1. Woodrow Wilson 2. Hofstra 3. Rutgers 4. Bob Costas 5. Thomas Jefferson 6. Charles Kuralt 7. Jim Henson 8. Roger Staubach 9. Charles S. Dutton 10. Army 11. Jim McKay 12. Chestertown 13. Tom Clancy 14. Jim Brown 15. Princeton 16. Dean Smith 17. Towson State 18. Maryland 19. David Robinson 20. Rutgers.

Bonus/tiebreaker: Princeton Tigers, Washington College Shoremen, Rutgers Scarlet Knights, Syracuse Orangemen, Virginia Cavaliers, North Carolina Tar Heels, Army Cadets, Maryland Terrapins, Navy Midshipmen, Hofstra Flying Dutchmen, Towson State Tigers, Loyola Greyhounds 2. (The question was supposed to ask for opponents on the **women’s** lacrosse schedule—since it did not, either men’s or women’s opponents were accepted.) Salisbury State, Notre Dame, Roanoke, Dickinson, Bryn Mawr, Mary Washington, Gettysburg, Muhlenberg, Washington College, Franklin & Marshall, Ursinus, Haverford, Swarthmore, Western Maryland, Widener.

Campus Notes

JHU SCS Delta Sigma Pi Professional Business Honor Fraternity is sponsoring a trip to New York City on Friday, March 25, 1994. Two tours will be held: 12:15 p.m. tour of the Stock Exchange, and a 2:30 p.m. tour of the Federal Reserve. The price is \$40.00 per person which includes the round trip ticket, light refreshments and the two tours. Interested? Call Mary at 516-8209.

Attention all freshman and sophomore **Pre-Med Students**: There will be an Informational Meeting with Dr. Norman D. Anderson on Tuesday, March 29, 4-5 p.m. in Remsen 1.

“**Eating**,” a comical film about women and food. “25 years ago the secret subject of women was sex... today it’s food.” Monday, March 28 AMR T.V. Room 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. The first in a series of pro-

grams about eating... an issue that affects us all.

“**Laughing Your Way to the Top**” with Ressa Woolf, Ph.D. Learn how to stand out from the crowd in job and promotion interviews. Friday, March 11, 1994 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. in Shaffer Hall, Room 3. This event is open to the public. Admission is free. For more info, contact Vicki at 576-3410.

Coffee Grounds is seeking performers of all kinds... musicians, singers, actors, poets, comedians, mambo dancers, or anyone else... Come share your talent with us on Friday nights from 10 p.m.-1 a.m. in Levering Union. For information or scheduling, please call Sari at x5013 or Amy H. at 3709.

Due to Spring Break, **MSEL extended hours** will end on Friday,

March 18 at 2 a.m. and will resume on Sunday, March 27 at 12 Midnight.

The **Hutzler Undergraduate Reading Room** in Gilman Hall will close for Spring Break on Friday, March 18 at 5 p.m. and will reopen on Monday, March 28 at 8:30 a.m.

Baishak, the **Bengali Cultural Association** of JHU, is looking for acts for two upcoming cultural functions:

Bengali New Year (Poila Baishak) dinner and show, April 9, and an afternoon of classical Indian culture, featuring the Indian Classical Dance Society of Washington, April 30. Interested, call Proгна: 243-4975 (M-H) or (301)236-9834 [F-Su].

The **JHU Barnstormers** in association with the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs proudly present, “**Fences**,” a drama in 3 acts by August Wilson. This Friday, March 11, Saturday, March 12, and Sunday March 13 at 8:00 p.m. All performances in the Arellano Theater. Admission is \$3 for students, \$4 for non-students. Don’t miss it!!!

What do men want? What do women want? Worship/discussion about beginning a relationship; the difficulty in ending relationships. How to understand patterns in your choice of partners. Finding what’s right for you. Clare Kind, L.C.S.W., Wednesday, 5 p.m. March 16, Gilman 451. Everyone welcome.

American Foreign Policy in the Balkans will be discussed by representatives of the U.S. State Department on Thursday, March 17 in the Arellano Theater (Levering) from 3-5 p.m. This symposium is being sponsored by the International Studies Program and the John M. Olin Foundation.

The **Student Health Clinic** will be open during Spring Break 3/21-3/25 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. There will be no evening hours and no Saturday clinic session on 3/19 and 3/25. Enjoy a safe and healthy Spring Break!

The following is the schedule for the Krieger 160/170 Computer Lab for Spring Break: Friday March 18. Regular Lab Hours: Saturday, March 19: 12 noon-10 p.m. Sunday, March 20: 12 noon-10 p.m. Monday-Friday, March 21-25: 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday, March 26: 12 noon-10 p.m. Sunday, March 27: Regular Lab Hours

Campus Notes

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Exposure by Mark Aengenheyster



Original photo submissions are welcome for *Exposure*. Have any Hopkins life shots, travel photos, or any other interesting pictures? Send your color or B/W photos to Gilman Box 1230 or bring it down to the Gatehouse, and leave it c/o *Exposure*. For more information call the *News-Letter* at x-6000. Photographs returned upon request.

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Spring Fair... What a ride!

by: Claire Kelly

"Carnaval" is the epitome of this year's Spring Fair. After surviving such a brutal winter, Baltimore needs a three day party to celebrate the Rites of Spring. Most famous for its Mardi Gras festivities in Brazil, this street fair is also popular on the Iberian Peninsula, Caribbean Islands, and in many Central and South American countries.

Now, Carnaval is brought to Hopkins! Emilie Salama and Ted Tobin, 1994's Spring Fair Co-Chairs, are busy organizing this year's activities and events. They are doing their best to ensure a successful weekend of entertainment, handmade crafts and food. With 130 arts and crafts vendors, 40 concession stands, and 30 non-profit organization information booths, there will be

something of interest for everyone. Also, there will be musical performances, Fair Games, and the kids events will really add to the fun.

In addition, the nighttime entertainment that has been slated thus far includes

simulcast performing in Levering Union. The identity of the performer for the "Big Concert" is still a mystery; however, Tobin has assured us that this year's group will be "well-known and much more tuned into our professional musicians continued on Back

Mall Shuttles and More

by: Aparna Mikkilineni

The Student Support Services Committee has sponsored several activities this semester.

For example, the shuttle to White Marsh Mall was run by this committee. As a result of this program's success, the committee plans to run the shuttle once a week throughout the month of April. The committee is also coordinating the BWI Spring Break

Shuttle. The shuttle will leave every hour on the hour from the MSE during the hours of 10 AM - 6 PM on March 17th and 18th. The fee for the BWI shuttle will be \$5. Sign-ups are being held in the Residential Life Offices in AMRII and McCoy Hall.

Lastly, the Used Book Sale, the first of its kind run at JHU, was a moderate success. Over 90 books were sold and \$1200 was made. Students found good bargains at the sale.

For example, one student purchased a calculus book and study manual for \$35 total. At Barnes & Noble, he could have purchased the same items for \$80! Since the potential to save money is tremendous, the committee plans to hire 2 students to run the book sale next year. There's the opportunity to make thousands of dollars to whoever gets the job, so all people interested in the position should contact Aparna at 235-4308.

CALENDAR

MONDAY, MARCH 14

5:00 pm to 7:00pm

Faculty Appreciation Reception

Socialize with your favorite faculty as you eat and listen to a performance by the Hopkins Allnighters in the Glass Pavilion.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Faculty Roundtable Discussions

Talk in small groups with some of Hopkins' most distinguished faculty members as you enjoy coffee and dessert in the lobby of Gilman Hall.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

Presentation of the Distinguished Faculty Awards

THURSDAY, MARCH 17

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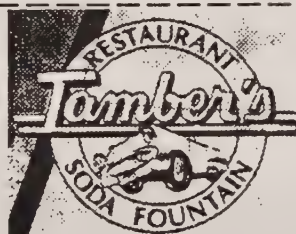
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Margaret Speaks Her Mind

Dear fellow student, Although the elections are deciding my replacement at this very moment, things are still happening with Council and there are a number of opportunities which you ought to be aware of.

First of all, applications for Curriculum Committee, Ethics Board, Culture Fest Chairs, and Information Resource Director are out & on the Student Council door for you who are interested. Get off your rump, pick one up, find out what the positions are about, and apply. They are all interesting positions and vary in amount of time commitment and activity. Call Chris Drennen for any questions about the positions or application processes.

Also, I strongly urge all of you to run for class office. In the past, many of the positions go

uncontested because people think that there are already a large amount of people running and forego getting the petition signed to become a candidate. Either this happens, or they are hesitant to commit the time to campaigning or holding office. Let me just say that nothing comes from nothing. Being part of a community also involves contribution to that community—class office is a perfect way to contribute by programming events and activities for your class all while having a say in the greater changes at Homewood which Council advocates. Campaigning is a hurdle but there are plenty of us to give you some pointers if you are new. If anything, class office is a great way to keep on top of everything happening on campus and to help others based on this knowledge.

For the future, I want to make you aware of some programs which have been introduced but need

your input and commitment if they are to last. The first is one with Academic Advising. We are currently working with Academic Advising to get students involved with the vast amount of information that needs to be circulated between students, faculty and Academic Advising. We need someone who is willing to help out in this endeavor—that is, a creative and dedicated individual willing to spend time coming up with an information system that would bridge Academic Advising, Faculty and Students in a more substantial way than add/drop slips. Remuneration for the person willing to do this now or over the summer shall be provided. If you would like to pursue this matter further, let me know by way of a note in the Student Council mailbox.

For all you juniors (and underclassmen who are slowly but surely moving up in the ranks), we are setting up a trial-year program called

"Disorientation." Not only will it parody the fondly remembered first-year Orientation experience but will involve programs to help seniors get prepared for life after Hopkins as opposed to life to come at Hopkins. There will be such programs as Resume-writing and programs with Hopkins Alumni about how to get a job, how to interview for med-schools, what you should do if you don't get into med school, and anything else that you would like to know about. There will also be many a non-academic (ah-hem) *things to do*. The specifics are TBA but it should be very informative and great fun to boot.

There are a ton of things happening with us right now. If you can't make it to the meetings, we'll keep you informed as best we can. Until our next encounter!

Margaret Lee
President

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9:30 P.M.

GILMAN 37 AND 40

10:00 P.M.

continued from Front effort in order to ensure the success of this annual event.

While many of the events and activities are carrying on the traditions of past years, Carnival has made many innovations. The "Big Concert" has been moved to the athletic center, thus doubling the seating capacity from 1100 to 2200. Also, there will be a Letterman-like "Velcro Wall" by the Beer Garden for all to experience and enjoy.

From the 21 various committees, 45 chairpersons and their numerous members are enthusiastically dedicated to making Spring Fair really happen this year. Over 200 Hopkinites contribute time and No one is more excited for Spring Fair than JHU's Council. We're all hoping for warm, sunny weather so that everyone can enjoy our much-deserved three day party and fully celebrate our own "Carnaval."

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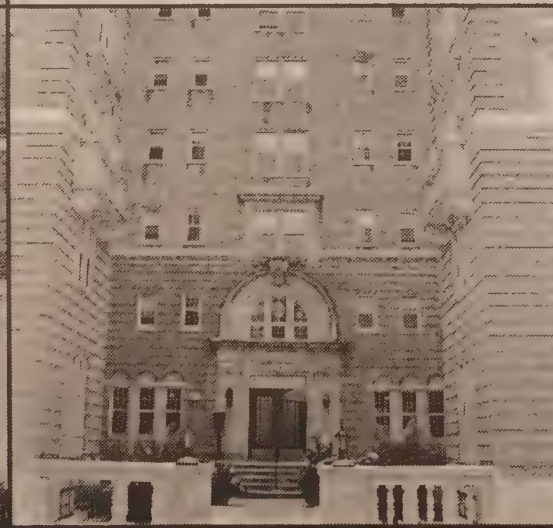
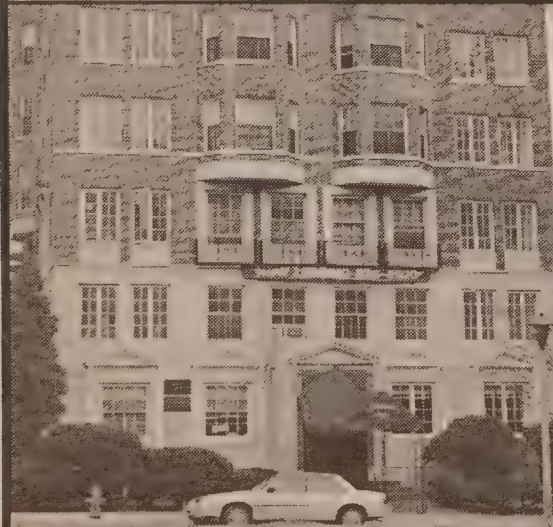
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A Note From the Editors

The 1994 Housing Guide was designed to help all those students who are in search of a place to live next year. Our goal was to assemble all the pertinent information in one place, to make your search for the perfect home easier. Included in this guide are perspectives on university housing and neighborhood accommodations from some experienced students.

Our thanks go out to the friendly folks in the Office of Campus Housing and the Office of Off-Campus Housing. They provided us with lots of pamphlets to make our job a little bit easier. We'd also like to thank all of the writers who helped by reviewing their buildings or who contributed to the articles about Hopkins area neighborhoods and moving-in tips. Tamara Zuromskis, Gerald Sylvester and Alex Berg deserve special recognition for organizing all of the photos we included here. Deepest gratitude goes to the Editors-in-chief Kenneth Aaron and Andrew Dunlap for all their support, and especially Andrew for his help with design and layout.

We've done most of the leg work. All you should have to do is sign the lease. Good luck.

Erinn Camp and Sarah Kupfer
Editors
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Is Life in the Dorms (Still) for You?

by Sarah Kupfer
and Andrew Dunlap
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

After enduring two years in the gilded prison system known as University housing, next year's juniors now have an opportunity to leave Homewood behind and embrace the joys and heartaches of off-campus living. But should they? It depends who you ask.

Many current juniors and seniors will tell you that the happiest day of their lives came on that cloudless day when they were cut loose from Mama Hopkins' apron strings. Others will say that leaving the secure and comfortable confines of life in a university residence hall is not worth the investment of time and worry. Some have sought the middle ground in one of the several off-campus university buildings.

Most universities offer their students viable on-campus living quarters for all four years. At Hopkins, however, living in University housing has always had a slightly negative social stigma. This stigma has dissipated in recent years however, thanks mostly to the recently imposed re-

quirement that sophomores live in residence halls. This year, the last batch of students allowed to leave the dorms after freshman year will graduate. Another factor in making University housing more palatable is the recent renovations of many Hopkins buildings, including Wolman, McCoy, Ivy and the Bradford.

In making the choice of where to spend the next two years of your college life there are a couple of factors you should consider.

Social Life

If you move off campus the most notable difference you will find is, obviously enough, that you are no longer on campus. Events and social activities will no longer be spoon-fed to you by the RA coterie. Instead, you must make a conscious effort to scrounge up entertainment on your own. It may be hard to adjust at first to living in a place where you don't have two to three hundred housemates and there is a constant stream of things to do and people to see.

But never fear. The disquiet you are experiencing is a perfectly natural

part of the transition from being someone who is taken care of to being someone who takes care of himself. As mentioned, you will have to make a concerted effort to keep your circle of friends intact and to construct a social life for yourself.

If you stay in the dorms as a junior or senior be aware that your friends may all be heading for non-Homewood pastures. You may find yourself surrounded by people who are one or two years younger than you, which may or may not be important to you.

Cost

Let's just say that you are an upcoming Junior or Senior and you've responded to the University's pressure to stay in campus housing by entering the lottery. If money is a consideration, check out the Apartment Open House on Monday, March 14 in Wolman lobby at 3:00 p.m. You might reconsider before signing the contract 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16 in the AMR Multipurpose room and slapping down your \$100 non-refundable holding fee.

Let's take a look at a little math, shall we? As a junior or a senior you might be considering moving into Wolman or McCoy Halls. A single would cost you \$5215 for nine months. That translates to around \$580 per month, a price that includes utilities. Your other option is to spend around \$450 dollars per month with a roommate, splitting the cost to around \$230 each. But the catch is, board plans are required for all residence hall residents, and that adds up to a substantial sum of between \$261 and \$325 per month. A walloping sum indeed. I suppose that on some level you are paying for the company you keep during meal times, but as someone undoubtedly said sometime, "If you have to pay through the nose to eat with a bunch of people, they're probably not good friends anyhow."

Besides the up front costs of the board plan, there are some hidden costs. For example, the university forces you to move out when the dorms close, which means you might have to spend extra money on transportation fees, or spend money on gifts to bribe your non-campus housing friends to let you stay at their

place. Also polite people will need to spend money on soda and snacks for all the times they mooch watching cable TV off of their more entertainment endowed associates.

Now if you are thinking of moving into the apartment resident like Homewood, Ivy or the Bradford, the board plan is only optional, and if you are economically minded, you can skip the Hopkins meal plan entirely and live on Oodles of Noodles and Rice Cakes. However, you are usually still paying enough extra in rent to have let you afford much more sumptuous cuisine in non-university housing.

You may be discouraged to look at off-campus housing by a university that is attempting to create a sense of community among its undergraduates at a hefty toll to your bank account, or feel overwhelmed by the many living arrangement possibilities. Just remember, living in university housing has its advantages, the most striking of which are security and convenience. An off-campus apartment has more risk and more responsibility, but it offers you greater freedom at a lower cost.



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Bradford Apartments

by **Lauren Spencer**
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Hopkins works in mysterious ways, doesn't it? After two years of closet-like rooms, I vowed to live junior and senior years in a rowhouse. But after

3301 St. Paul Street

Amenities:

- Furnished
- Air Conditioning
- Cable Ready
- Carpeting
- Laundry Facilities
- Wheelchair Accessible
- Utilities Paid by Tenant**
- None

Deposits Required

- Advance (\$100)

Restrictions

- None

Recreation Facilities

- Lounge

Pet Policy

- No Pets

Notes: Graduates and undergraduates. 12 and 11 month leases available. 24-hour maintenance. Can break lease without fees.

unsuccessful house-hunting, security hazards, and warnings of vermin so horrendous they haven't even been named yet, I resigned myself to apartment life, and somehow ended up in the Bradford.

It sort of looks as if I copped out. But getting this apartment was far from easy. Unless I wanted to live in fear of waking up with a gun at my window (the only remaining apartment was basement level), I had to settle for a three bedroom. This led to a hysterical scene at the room selection process, and led me to my present abode — a three person apartment on the ninth floor of the Bradford. So I came back at the beginning of the year with a highly negative attitude. But the Bradford hasn't been all bad for an amotivational creature like myself.

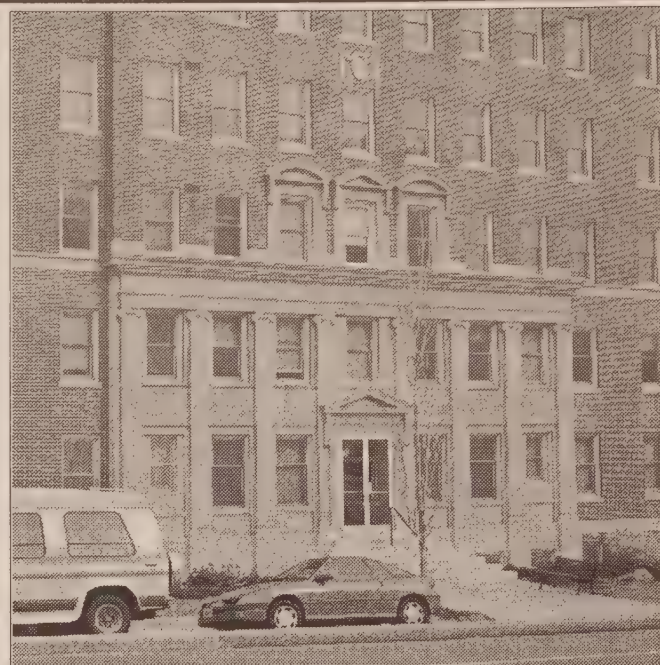
Because the Bradford is a glorified dorm, you are kept under the University's wing for one more year. Thankfully, there are no RAs, but if you have a problem, they'll solve it. When my sister took apart the faucet for fun and it subsequently flooded our apartment, they helped. When some unidentified guest broke the towel rack, they fixed it. They haven't gotten around to the toilet paper holder yet, but maybe that's because I'm too embarrassed to call it in. The garbage chute is two feet from the kitchen. The toilet works. If you ask nicely, they'll

sometimes bring you light bulbs. Some things couldn't be more convenient.

My main gripe is with the gross dorm furniture. But what is the University supposed to do, make this like a hotel? The eggplant-colored couch is rather nauseating, though. But when I consider the alternative, I'm silently grateful. Nightmarish stories of non-University-housing friends with faulty Ikea desks or cockroach-infested used couches circulated about the junior class at the beginning of the year. So the old pine modular stuff begins to look OK. I'm such a bad budgeter I barely have enough to pay my phone bill, so the once exhilarating thought of buying my own furniture now looks pretty bleak.

Another gripe is that the apartment is really small. It's not rathole small, but when you factor in all the regulars that stream through, it begins to feel a bit cramped. And the kitchen is awful. Besides having a refridgerator door that won't close, if there is more than one person in the kitchen, serious claustrophobia sets in. Maybe that's because the kitchen is smaller than the Hut bathroom. And you can only fit one appliance on the counter. I've solved that problem by never eating at home and rarely buying groceries. My roommates just love me.

Actually, my favorite thing about the apartment is the view. I can see the



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entire Baltimore skyline, which believe it or not is pretty at night, and for the true Orioles aficionado, from one of the bedrooms you can see Memorial Stadium and Camden Yards. Living on the ninth floor is a problem though, if you are a) terrified of fire; b) hate piss-smelling elevators; or c) don't like Penthouse Forum jokes.

It's been fun, though I can't say I'm staying. I'm moving across the

street to the illustrious Ivy Hall where they don't have an elevator and where every bum and his brother hang out to scout innocent convenience store patrons. Besides, I have to hear drunks going in to Royal Farms, and the streetlights are right at window level, and unless I want to put up the World War II black out every night, I'm going to have a hard time sleeping.

Oh well, nothing's perfect.

The Homewood

by **Tamara Zuromskis**
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Do you hear Dvorák's New World Symphony playing whenever you spot the Homewood looming over the horizon? Well, if so, you're not alone. Nine out of ten Hopkins students consider the Homewood to be the scariest building on campus. The narrow halls, high ceilings, and dark wood paneled corridors in this 1908 building look like something out of a Kafka novel.

3003 North Charles Street

Amenities:

- Furnished and Unfurnished
- Laundry Facilities
- Utilities Paid by Tenant**
- None

Deposits Required

- Advance (\$100)

Restrictions

- None

Recreation Facilities

- None

Pet Policy

- No Pets

Notes: 12 and 11 month leases available. 24-hour maintenance. Can break lease without fees.

Most of the ceiling pipes in the basement are so low that anybody over 5'8" must walk hunched over en route to the laundry room. And the convoluted floor plan (you must use different elevators to access the two sections of the building) has been baffling pizza delivery people for decades.

The Homewood was built in same year as Wolman, but has not undergone the same extensive remodeling, thus many artifacts from the turn of the century remain. There is no air conditioning and the heat comes from a steam radiator, which is noisy and unpredictable. The water heater is unstable, which means that you have to be agile to avoid being scalded in the shower. Some residents complain of pest control problems. If you like to leave your dishes in the sink for weeks, you might want to invest in some Combat roach disks, because the glue traps that Housing provide don't work. There are regular exterminations, though. For all the problems of an old building, however, there are some positive aspects. The floors are hardwood, the ceilings are high, the windows are large, and the plaster walls make for good sound insulation.

As with all university housing (except the Bradford), the Homewood charges rent in a lump sum paid at the beginning of each semester, utilities are included, and graduation or dropping out will terminate a lease. Security is good; Hop-Cops regularly patrol the building at night. There are two coin-operated laundry rooms on the premises, totaling seven washers and seven dryers, but often as many as three of each are broken. There is also a bike room, an indoor playroom, and an outdoor playground. Pets are not Permitted.

Maintenance is excellent. The super is always responsive and helpful. Unfortunately, there is a lot of call for maintenance. The toilets clog. The radiator sometimes goes berserk and shoots boiling hot water all over the room. The ceilings are so high that you need a ladder to change the lightbulb in the ceiling fixtures unless you are lucky enough to be eight feet tall. The same goes for the smoke detector. You can't just take out the battery to shut it up when a midnight snack turns into something out of a Smokey the Bear spot. Also, the cleanliness of the building leaves something to be desired. Once again, maintenance works very hard, but for some reason, a lot of beer seems to get spilled on the floor, and the south elevator has a serious graffiti problem. It's bad, the kind of stuff you wouldn't want your mother to read.

Location is fairly good, especially if you have a lot of classes in Shaffer. This location is also handy if you take the med school or Peabody shuttle on a regular basis. The building is large, which lends more privacy, but less intimacy. The rent is fairly overpriced. The efficiencies are especially steep, but some are pretty big. Mine has an entire separate room for the kitchen and a huge bathroom.

It would be fair to say that what the Homewood loses by being old and decrepit, it makes up for in charm. Though most students would favor dependability over quaintness, your parents will love it when they come to



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visit. They'll comment that the bathtub is nice and deep and that the windows have counterweights and that they just don't make 'em like that anymore. Then, come mid-winter when the heat makes a sound like someone has lifted a cast iron skillet over his head and brought it down on the radiator with all his might, you'll be sure to remember when you're rich and successful and don't have to live in university housing anymore.

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Ivy Hall

by Johnny J. Wong
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Ivy Hall contains probably the nicest apartments the University can offer. Each apartment consists of four bedrooms, two full bathrooms, a full kitchen and living room. Ivy was reno-

vated about two years ago, and has the 'feel' of a Wolman or a McCoy.

The apartments are fully furnished with a bed, desk, dresser, lamp table, and freestanding closet. The furniture is not quite as modular as that found in the AMRs or Wolman/McCoy (the dresser doesn't disassemble), otherwise, it's pretty much the same. Ivy Hall is divided into the East and West wings with about 24 residents per side. The building itself is small with two apartments per floor per wing.

To enter the building, the omnipresent security card is used. Unfortunately, the same annoying alarm system commonly heard in Wolman and McCoy accompanies it. Whenever the front door is opened for too long of a time, the alarm goes off.

There are many advantages and conveniences which make Ivy an attractive place to live. For one, it's very close to campus. Ivy is located right across the street on the corner of 33rd and St. Paul Sts. If you desire to be on the meal-plan, Wolman Hall is right around the block. In addition, Royal Farms and Greenway Pharmacy are just downstairs, or if you'd prefer a larger market, Eddie's is right down the street.

For the computer hackers, every room in Ivy is connected to the Hopkins networks, jhunix, jhuvms, and jhuvim via the ISN lines.

The rooms in Ivy tend to be signifi-

cantly larger than many of the University apartments, like Wolman, McCoy and the Bradford. In my case, my single in Ivy is larger than the double I had last year in Wolman.

Ivy Hall has been hooked up for cable television. The cable system is not functional as of the writing of this article, but housing reports that all attempts are being made to get the cable company to hook up service as soon as possible.

Doing your laundry can be somewhat of a nuisance. Located on the first floor, there are two washers and dryers to serve 24 residents. It can sometimes be time consuming waiting for someone's laundry to finish, especially if they have very large loads.

The biggest pain about Ivy is probably moving in. There are no elevators, and if you live on the top floor, the fourth floor (as I do), you're going to have to lug it up all by yourself.

The telephone phone system in the building is most peculiar. All the telephones are technically on the University phone system, so all the extensions are 516-xxxx. However, unlike Wolman, McCoy, and the AMRs, you must subscribe to phone service to even receive phone calls. Otherwise, anyone dialing your extension will get a 'disconnected' message.

The rent is at a reasonable level for University apartments. For the 1993-1994 year, the rent was priced at around



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\$390 per month. Utilities are free.

In comparison to other University buildings, Ivy is a very nice version of McCoy and Wolman. The rooms are larger, but the rent's cheaper. The rooms may not be as large as those found in the Homewood, but Ivy is kept in very good condition. Hopkins Housing takes care of the building, and every so often, sends the exterminator in to make sure the place is rodent and insect free.

A final note about Ivy Hall: it's probably one of the hardest places to get a room, unless you have a very low housing number. There will be rare occasions where two rooms of the apartment are already filled, and two are available. You can do what I did and take those two empty rooms with a friend and pray that your roommates are compatible with you. Otherwise, look elsewhere.

McCoy Hall

by Alice Chan
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

For all of you freshmen out there who aren't too pleased at the prospect of having to live in university housing again next year, don't fret. Most likely, you'll be living in McCoy Hall.

If you are standing in front of the

3401 North Charles Street

Amenities:

- Furnished
- Air Conditioning
- Cable Ready
- Carpeting
- Laundry Facilities

Utilities Paid by Tenant

- None

Deposits Required

- Advance (\$100)

Restrictions

- None

Recreation Facilities

- Music Rooms
- Meeting Space
- Game Room

Pet Policy

- No Pets

Notes: Undergraduates only. 9-month lease. 24-hour maintenance. Meal plan required.

MSE library looking towards Charles St., McCoy Hall is the building to the left of Wolman Hall. You know, the home of Wolman Station.

Almost all freshmen will be ushered into McCoy. But don't worry, you'll be able to pick your favorite suite to live in, if you are lucky enough to get a low lottery number (1 being low). Pay attention to your mail after spring break, because you wouldn't want to throw away your number.

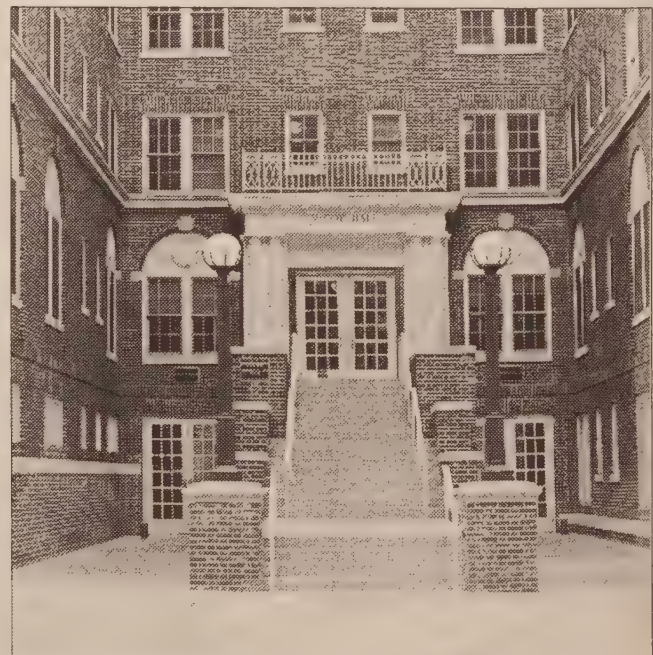
The building is arranged into the West side and the East side. Unlike in Wolman Hall, the elevators in McCoy provide access to the East and West wings. The access card for each floor gets you into all areas of the floor.

The security at McCoy is pretty good. There are friendly security officers stationed at the Terrace level entrance 24 hours a day. A security access card is needed to enter both the stair and elevator lobbies. Right past the elevator lobby is another door which leads to the McCoy Common Lounge. An access card is needed here, but you can only get in when the student monitor is stationed at the desk. This can be frustrating sometimes, especially when you just want to grab a soda or snack at the vending machines. The underused gameroom features a ping-pong table, a pool table, two foosball tables (yeah!) as well as two arcade games. The student radio station, A Place To Talk, and an

un-soundproof music room complete with a piano are located in this area. as well. There is also a multi-purpose room with a big TV set in it. And speaking of convenient, McCoy also has its very own laundry room on the Terrace level! Just don't try to do your laundry any time on Sunday. People will not hesitate to dump your stuff out when they need the machines.

On each floor there is a sizable room in the elevator lobby for different purposes. There is a not-so-wonderful exercise room, a few group study rooms, and a TV room which has always been locked every time I tried it. Cable should be ready for the lucky McCoy residents come this fall. Both wings on each floor need to be security accessed. Both East and West have several couches, chairs, tables, and TV/VCR. Beware of the VCR's though, they have been known to viciously eat up videotapes.

So now I finally come to the part you've all been waiting for... the bedrooms. All of the rooms are arranged in suites that contain either double-double or double-single-single combinations (and if I'm not mistaken, there should also be a single-single floating around there somewhere). There is a kitchen equipped with a stovetop and a tiny little refrigerator (though some of the fridges keep food at room temperature) as well as a nice sink that easily clogs. Some suites



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(like mine) are blessed with an enormous bathroom, in which you could do cartwheels, if you so desired. All of the rooms are larger than those at the AMRs, and come with equipped with a heating/air conditioning unit. All of the furniture is relatively new and in good condition. The lighting in McCoy bedrooms really sucks, though. That means you should get a bright lamp if you want to see anything at night.

Maintenance takes care of any

maintenance problems, though it may take them a while. Although living on campus is convenient, it is much more expensive than living off campus in bigger apartments. Room and board and security and convenience are included in the price, which makes most parents feel better. In any case, you certainly wouldn't want to miss the opportunity of living with all of your classmates in this fairly nice building before you'll be on your own.

Wolman Hall

by Maximilian Barreau
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

When it comes to making a decision on where to live next year, admittedly your choices are limited. Without a doubt, you will be clamor-

ing for that high number for your trendy McCoy suite. However, do not let the merits of a Wolman suite pass you by. There are advantages which are lacking in McCoy.

Wolman is a seven-story two-winged complex owned by the University which houses both freshmen and sophomores. Both single and double rooms are offered, all of which are en suite shared with three other people. All suites in Wolman are equipped with a kitchenette which includes a range and a refrigerator. All rooms are equipped with both air conditioning and heating and all are carpeted. The floors consist of approximately ten suites and a common lounge, in which you will find a television and a VCR for your amusement. Cable television is to be installed "soon," according to the Housing office.

In addition to the rooms themselves, the Wolman Food Court is located on the main floor and there are study lounges, a playroom, the mailroom, and washing/drying facilities located in the basement.

One advantage of living in Wolman is that it is self-contained. One can wake up, eat breakfast, go do laundry, study, eat lunch, play some table tennis, check your mail a few times, eat dinner, and go to sleep for the most part without leaving the building.

While this is not recommended for either your mental or your physical health and well-being, it is conceivably possible. This comes in handy when the weather turns sour and your friends are slipping across the road to come eat.

There are several detracting features which are specific to Wolman Hall. One is the fire alarms. Not to understate, but they do go off once in a while. The occasional fire alarm, while annoying, is acceptable. After all, we'd all rather crash and burn on a test rather than in bed (no pun intended). However, these alarms adhere beautifully to any one of Murphy's many laws. They happen at the worst times and they happen repeatedly. One fire alarm is one thing. Three in one night gets to be a bit much. Like all good things in life, however, it comes and goes in bunches and there have been weeks when there hasn't been a peep from the alarm. The elevators can be another source of frustration. They are fast; unless one is broken, in which case, they can tend to take forever. And finally, the east and west wings are not connected. While this is true, it is also true that this does not pose a problem for most people.

In my year living here, I must say that the overall impression I will leave with is a favorable one. The floors are



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a nice size, the rooms are comparable to those in McCoy, and the convenience of having the mailroom and dining facilities in the building combine to make Wolman a very nice place to live.

I would like to conclude by expelling some myths. While it is true that in McCoy, one can traverse wings, this cannot be accomplished without the aid of an access card. In fact, with

one access card (the normal limit for mere mortals), it is sometimes only possible to access two suites other than you own. In Wolman, one can access all ten suites on your floor with the one access card.

Had I to do over again, I would live in Wolman - preferably in a larger suite. The only chief complaints are the incessant fire alarms and slightly smaller rooms.

3339 North Charles Street

Amenities:

- Furnished
- Air Conditioning
- Cable Ready
- Carpeting
- Laundry Facilities

Utilities Paid by Tenant

- None
- Deposits Required
- Advance (\$100)

Restrictions

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Residence (Lease Terms) (Furnishing)

1st Semester 2nd Semester Per Year

Bradford**(12 month lease) (Furnished)**

Efficiency (living/bedroom, kitchen and bath)	2965	2965	5930
One bedroom (living room, kitchen and bath)	3960	3960	7920
Two-bedroom (one roommate)	2760	2760	5520
Three-bedroom (two roommates)	2435	2435	4870
Four-bedroom (three roommates)	2200	2200	4400

(11 month lease) (Furnished)

Efficiency (living/bedroom, kitchen and bath)	2470	2965	5435
One bedroom (living room, kitchen and bath)	3300	3960	7260
Two-bedroom (one roommate)	2300	2760	5060
Three-bedroom (two roommates)	2030	2435	4465
Four-bedroom (three roommates)	1835	2200	4035

Homewood ***(12 month lease) (Furnished)**

Single room and bath (no kitchen, no heating devices permitted)	1875	1875	3750
Bachelor, bath, kitchenette (refrigerator and range, no oven)	2480	2480	4960
Efficiency (living/bedroom, kitchen and bath)	2810	2810	5620
One-bedroom in basement	3060	3060	6120
One-bedroom	3275	3275	6550
One-bedroom, dining room	3645	3645	7290
One-bedroom in basement (share) **	1665	1665	3330
One-bedroom (share) **	1785	1785	3570
One-bedroom, dining room (share) **	1905	1905	3810
Two-bedroom, dining room, in basement with one roommate (share)	2085	2085	4170
Two-bedroom, dining room with one roommate (share)	2295	2295	4590
Two-bedroom, two baths with one roommate (share)	2295	2295	4590
Three-bedroom, with two roommates (share)	1875	1875	3750
Three-bedroom, dining room with two roommates (share)	2085	2085	4170

(12 month lease) (Unfurnished)

Single room and bath (no kitchen, no heating devices permitted)	1645	1645	3290
Bachelor, bath, kitchenette (refrigerator and range, no oven)	2230	2230	4460
Efficiency (living/bedroom, kitchen and bath)	2560	2560	5120
One-bedroom in basement	2810	2810	5628
One-bedroom	3060	3060	6120
One-bedroom, dining room	3370	3370	6740
One-bedroom in basement (share) **	1420	1420	2840
One-bedroom (share) **	1540	1540	3080
One-bedroom, dining room (share) **	1675	1675	3350
Two-bedroom, dining room, in basement with one roommate (share)	1840	1840	3680
Two-bedroom, dining room with one roommate (share)	2065	2065	4130
Two-bedroom, two baths with one roommate (share)	2065	2065	4130
Three-bedroom, with two roommates (share)	1645	1645	3290
Three-bedroom, dining room with two roommates (share)	1840	1840	3680

(11 month lease) (Furnished)

Single room and bath (no kitchen, no heating devices permitted)	1560	1875	3435
Bachelor, bath, kitchenette (refrigerator and range, no oven)	2065	2480	4545
Efficiency (living/bedroom, kitchen and bath)	2340	2810	5150
One-bedroom in basement	2550	3060	5610
One-bedroom	2730	3275	6005
One-bedroom, dining room	3035	3645	6680
One-bedroom in basement (share)	1390	1665	3055
One-bedroom (share)	1485	1785	3270
One-bedroom, dining room (share)	1585	1905	3490

Residence (Lease Terms) (Furnishing)

1st Semester 2nd Semester Per Year

Homewood * (cont'd)

Two-bedroom, dining room, in basement with one roommate (share)	1735	2085	3820
Two-bedroom, dining room with one roommate (share)	1910	2295	4205
Two-bedroom, two baths with one roommate (share)	1910	2295	4205
Three-bedroom, with two roommates (share)	1560	1875	3435
Three-bedroom, dining room with two roommates (share)	1735	2085	3820

(11 month lease) (Unfurnished)

Single room and bath (no kitchen, no heating devices permitted)	1370	1645	3015
Bachelor, bath, kitchenette (refrigerator and range, no oven)	1860	2230	4090
Efficiency (living/bedroom, kitchen and bath)	2135	2560	4695
One-bedroom in basement	2340	2810	5150
One-bedroom	2550	3060	5610
One-bedroom, dining room	2810	3370	6180
One-bedroom in basement (share)	1185	1420	2605
One-bedroom (share)	1285	1540	2825
One-bedroom, dining room (share)	1395	1675	3070
Two-bedroom, dining room, in basement with one roommate (share)	1535	1840	3375
Two-bedroom, dining room with one roommate (share)	1720	2065	3785
Two-bedroom, two baths with one roommate (share)	1720	2065	3785
Three-bedroom, with two roommates (share)	1370	1645	3015
Three-bedroom, dining room with two roommates (share)	1535	1840	3375

Ivy**(12 month lease) (Furnished)**

Four-bedroom, 2 bath with three roommates (share)	2360	2360	4720
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(11 month lease) (Furnished)

Four-bedroom, 2 bath with three roommates (share)	1965	2360	4325
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McCoy & Wolman *****(9-month lease) (Furnished)**

Suite style, single room, shared bath and kitchenette	2895	2320	5215
Suite style, double room, shared bath and kitchenette	2295	1840	4135

Wyman ***(12 month lease) (Furnished)**

Four-bedroom, row house with three housemates	2765	2765	5530
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(11 month lease) (Furnished)

Four-bedroom, row house with three housemates	2305	2765	5070
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*Users of window air-conditioning units pay an additional \$25 per month for the months of usage.

** To share, you must identify a roommate on your application. Otherwise, one-bedrooms will be leased as single accommodations. Please note: Rent includes utilities except as noted (*). All apartments except single rooms with bath are appropriately equipped with cooking facilities and refrigerators. Bachelor apartments have stove top burners, but no ovens. No provisions are made for linens or cooking utensils. For +2-month leases, the first semester corresponds to August 1 - January 31, and the second semester to the period February 1 - July 31.

*** Meal plan required.

Source: On-Campus Housing Office.

Charles Village

The Closest Thing We've Got to a College Town

by John Roy Bean
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Charles Village is not really a college town, it is more of a college town on downers. As with any neighborhood, its character is a composite of the people who live there. While the student representation is a strong one, there are other elements that add to the mix.

Old timers are people who have lived in the neighborhood a while, or worked in the shops forever. Many older residents live in the same non-university apartment buildings as students do. Many of them hover around mail boxes or front steps, saying hello to whoever happens to pass them by. Be prepared to live with older residents if you move into the neighborhood. Also, be prepared to be engaged in the occasional conversation. It is strange at first, and then actually nice to talk with someone who doesn't have to rush off to lab or class and whose most important errand is talking with you.

The shop-keepers are another presence in the neighborhood. Except for Royal Farms which is a chain store, most of them are locally owned and operated and staffed by friendly people. They are ready to discuss the weather or the big topic of local/national news, which these days happens to be the weather. Especially friendly are the operators of any place that sells food. Appreciate the shop keeper who makes sure you take the soda from the back of the case because its the coldest, or the sandwich maker that asks if you want the special because it is the same thing but cheaper than what you ordered.

There are those that don't live in Charles Village, but still have a strong presence. The homeless are a very real presence in the area, not just in front of Royal Farms, but up and down the three blocks of businesses. Residents quickly either adopt a compassionate or hardened attitude towards these people.

Add to this mix the crime, an ever increasing element. It is the entity that makes it unsafe to walk from campus to your residence alone. It is the element to fear when you are using the ATM machine on Saint Paul Street late at night. It is the reason that many of the modifications made to buildings in the area have included entry guard systems.

All of the residents live and work in and around a mix of architecture that often makes it hard for one to believe that they live in "the big city." While the busy Saint Paul and Charles Streets provide gateways to the downtown area, low rise buildings and street after street of row houses remind one more a small town than a metropolitan area. Even the trek back towards



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One of the many houses available in Charles Village, the neighborhood which borders Hopkins to the east.

Greenmount fails to feel really threatening or imposing. The Greenmount section itself fades easily into residential Waverly, and provides students with access to pawn shops, a 7-11, a Blockbuster, and even a nudey store across from the dollar store.

When you move out of the dorms, not only do you have to find your own housing but you must also start to fend for yourself in other ways. Food, laundry, and household maintenance become concerns. If you catch a cold, where are you going to go for your favorite over the counter remedy?

Around Hopkins there are two major places to find food and other services. The Rotunda and the shops on Saint Paul Street between thirty first and thirty third streets. There are also small shops scattered about the area. If you shop here in Charles Village be prepared to pay a little more for the convenience. The numerous student residents in the area mean higher prices.

Where to Shop

Eddies is the flagship of the shops on St. Paul Street. This grocery mart is stocked well enough to meet most of the basic, and some of the more unusual needs of students. Expect to pay more than at Giant for many items. If you are shopping for produce, it is often advisable to head elsewhere. Eddies does have a great meat selection, however, and a great deli to boot.

The **Hopkins Store** is a small hardware store on the thirty first street

corner. It is close and convenient for quick fixes of electrical tape, cords, and small tools. For bigger items or more ambitious projects, head elsewhere. The Saint Paul shops offer three places to grab a quick bite to eat. **C.C. Carryout** has basic burgers as well as fare one usually doesn't find in a fast food joint. **The Homewood Deli** is the priciest option, but it has a solid reputation and a good bakery. **The Charles Village Pub** provides basic bar food, as well as basic bar drinks. Fine Liquors can also be obtained from **Eddie's Liquors**. A **Maryland National Bank** and a laundromat round out the block. The bank has convenient ATM service both for walk in and drive through customers.

F&M pharmacy and drug store is located at 242 W. 29th Street, on the South side of campus. This is a great place to go for bulk soda, bulk paper products, bulk chips, and bulk just about anything else. No perishable items here but lots of good values. As with anything too far from campus, go during the day and find a friend who has a car. Going at night can prove treacherous, and the fine folks at F&M don't look kindly on those who steal their shopping carts.

If you head up 33rd street from Hopkins, you will find a **Super Fresh**. While it is not in the best neighborhood, it is safe during the day time and has darn cheap groceries. You will find that the prices compare very favorably to Eddies, and are cheaper than Giant as well. If you get a local

paper like the Baltimore Sun, look for coupons.

Royal Farms and the **University Mini Mart** provide late night snacks for the Hopkins population. The Mini Mart is in the place of the former WaWa store. It has a better selection of what one might call groceries. There also tends to be fewer and shorter lines in the Mini Mart. The two biggest strikes against it are that the Mart only stays open until 11 p.m., and it doesn't take your cash machine card. The service is usually very friendly though.

Royal Farms is open around the clock and not only accepts your bank card, but credit cards as well. However, for this luxury you take the risk of running into unhelpful or just plain rude clerks. Royal Farms has fried chicken, and if you get some when a batch is first put out it is even edible. Most of the food in this store is strictly bad-for-you and non-perishable. The best thing about Royal Farms is an impressive selection of ice-cream and Snapple flavors.

PizzApeel is the eatery on the corner of 33rd Street and Charles. This is fairly solid food, and great for a quick bite to eat. Nothing bad can be said about this place except for the teenyboppers who occasionally come in and play Madonna on the juke box.

Cafe Diana is billed as a feminist cafe. I guess it might be, but it serves up pretty good food. The other big attraction of this place is it is not your typical Hopkins crowd. If you want to get the flavor of Fells Point without trekking all the way down there, Cafe

Diana is a good place to try.

The **Greenway Pharmacy** is right behind Royal Farms. It is depressingly expensive. However, it is well stocked and has over the counter medication for just about any ailment you could conjure up. Just be prepared to pay through the nose, so to speak.

There is a laundry and a hair stylist under Saint Paul Court. The laundry will dry clean your clothes and get them back to you pretty quickly at a fair price. We don't know anyone who has ever been to the hair stylist.

At the Marylander you will find a small cluster of shops. A fast food mart does not provide anything too impressive. The Marylander barber-shop is one of the best in the area. Despite its somewhat spartan surroundings, it really does give the feel of an old-time barbershop. Ladies might want to look elsewhere, but for the struggling college gent looking for a barber away from home, this is it!

The **Schnapp Shop** is located at 30th and Calvert, right under the Peabody Apartments. Booze and lots of it can be found here. While it is not recommended that you go over there alone at night, students live in the Peabody as well as fraternity and row houses in the area so it should be safe if you travel in pairs.

And finally, **PJ's** is the campus bar everyone loves to make fun of. Located under the Blackstone apartments it is famous for serving up wings every Monday night for 15 cents a piece. It is loud, noisy, and pretty in the mold of your typical campus bar.

Charles Village

Allston Apartments

by Rosemary Quirk
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

The Allston is located on the corner of thirty-second and Charles streets in charming Charles Village. It's a laughably brief walk to Eddie's, CC Carryout and even Bloomberg. The rent is fairly cheap, when compared

3111 North Charles Street
(410) 752-7300

Fidelity

Rent Scale:

1 Bedroom	\$300 (and up)
2 Bedroom	\$500 (and up)
3 Bedroom	\$700 (and up)
4 Bedroom	\$900 (and up)

Amenities:

- Cable Ready
- Laundry Facilities

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

- Electric

Deposits Required:

- Security (1 month)

Restrictions:

- None

Parking:

- Off-Street Parking

Recreation Facilities:

- None

Pet Policy:

- No Pets

Notes: Draperies and/or shades.

to University housing; when last I checked, Shari and her roommates were each paying \$230/month (four-bedroom), Reid, Spiro and Pete, \$235/month (three-bedroom) and Jen and I about \$285/month each for our bright, spacious two-bedroom on the second floor. I sincerely mean bright and spacious. The ceilings of the apartments are very high and the bedrooms all good-sized. There are two big windows in every room. The floors are hardwood and fairly well-preserved. The living rooms and kitchens are large. I used to live in the Bradford, which, though furnished and maintenance-free, was rather cramped. If I remember correctly, the kitchen there was roughly the size of my current bathroom. Rent was much more expensive, I might add.

While the Allston apartments are cheap and quite large, they are not as well kept-up as other properties. When Jen and I moved in during August we had to spend several weeks doing some major remodeling: covering all the chipped paint in our cabinets and pantry with pictures and laying Contac paper down on all the counters. The majority of paint in our apartment was falling off. Maintenance men (for lack of a better term) repainted the walls of the living room and bedrooms before we settled in, but the window-sills and cabinets were untouched and remain

mournful to this day. No one bothered to scrape the old paint off in the past before applying new coats. It's a mess.

The kitchen appliances work quite nicely (oven and fridge). Unfortunately, we could never get the moldy smell out of our freezer. We stopped making ice cubes after realizing they made our drinks taste like rotting organic matter.

The landlord, Harlan, is a decent guy. When we need repairs they eventually get done. He never replaced one or two of our cracked windows, and the tub drains very, very slowly, but all other maintenance we asked for was taken care of (painting the hallways, fixing the faucets and chain lock, etc.).

Temperature is one universal complaint. There are several radiators throughout the apartments that are controlled by the landlord. He turns them on nights, beginning in mid-October. My bedroom is often cold at night anyway. The bathroom is by far the warmest room in the place. It's gotten past ninety degrees in there, which is nice in the winter. If you move into the Allston, be prepared to use extra blankets in the colder months. In addition, there is no central air. I believe you can install your own air conditioners in the windows; if not, buy a fan at the beginning of the summer season. It worked well for us.



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There are washers and dryers in the basement. All are operational. It costs two dollars to wash and dry one load.

Safety is a bigger issue. We were burgled once this year. It was unfortunate. There are two fire escapes which run up the sides of the apartment building which are tempting to thieves. Again, if you move in, request that bars or a locked grating of some sort be put on the fire escape windows.

Our electric bill runs approximately \$35/month. Heat and hot water are paid for. Rent is due at the start of the month. We had to put up a security deposit as well as the first AND second month's rent before we moved in. Just a little something to plan on. In general, everyone I know who lives in the Allston is happy with the place. The apartments are roomy, very affordable and enviably convenient.

Blackstone Apartments

by Sarah Kupfer
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Having lived in an apartment in the Blackstone for three years, I could be called a fan of the Blackstone-Charles complex, but it has taken some of my

3215 North Charles Street
(410) 235-8920

Resource Management Group

Rent Scale:

Efficiency	\$312 - \$405
1 Bedroom	\$475 - \$595
2 Bedroom	\$659 - \$869
3 Bedroom	\$1099

Amenities:

- Furnished and Unfurnished
- Cable Ready
- Laundry Facilities

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

- Electric
- Gas

Deposits Required:

- Security (1 month)
- Application fee (\$25)

Restrictions:

- None

Parking:

- Off-Street Parking

Recreation Facilities:

- None

Pet Policy:

- Pets allowed with restrictions.
- Fee (\$100 non-refundable)

Notes: Located above PizzApeel and Cafe Diana.

patience and some effort on the part of the management.

My apartment has huge rooms connected to each other with stuffy twisted hallways and like the other apartments in the building, it is genuinely attractive with hardwood floors and large sunny windows. The rooms are well insulated from next-door neighbor noise, which is a particular blessing since I live in the apartment directly behind the spiral fire chute, an infamous feature of the building that entertains the occasional screaming drunk person with its fast-paced ten floor spinning descent, depositing them in the basement where they can vomit in peace.

You need to shop around the building for the layout and characteristics that suit you. The apartments toward the front of the Blackstone may have solariums or bay windows which offer a nice view of Charles Street and campus. The apartments on the south side face the Alumni parking lot and are the most pastoral, especially if you get an apartment near the tree, in which case your window sill is going to be a popular perch for birds sunning themselves in the morning. The apartments facing east get the full sound of WaWa parties, the Royal Farms bell, and the garbage trucks, but they get plenty of sun for plant lovers.

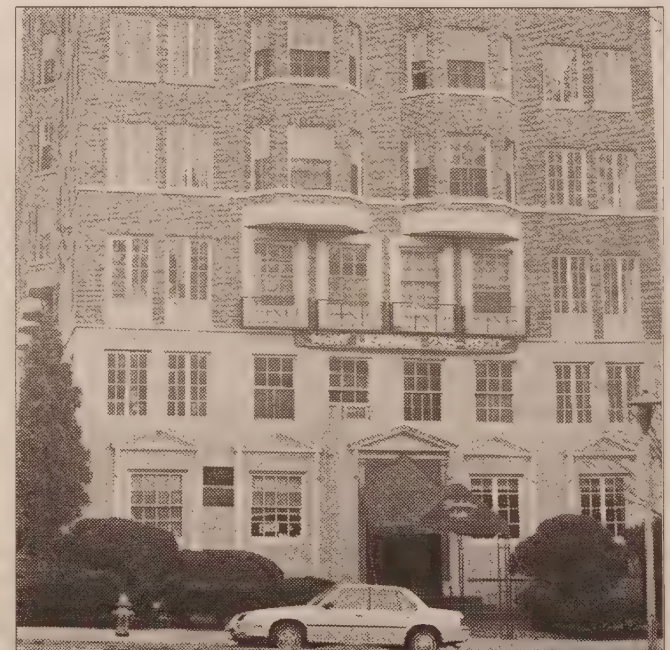
Other features of the apartment include large closets, copious heating

in the winter, a laundry room in the basement, and a nice roof if you can get to it. There is a mail chute, but some panels of glass are missing in it, so you sometimes find the upper floors' letters on the hallway carpet, but that just adds to our spirit of neighborly helping as you nudge their letters back into the hole in the floor. Speaking of mail, the front office is in another building and they don't receive packages. Parking can also be a real pain, but that's Baltimore.

Besides that, there is an Entraguard at the front door for security and you can always tell when someone is calling you from downstairs because it sounds like a Mac truck is phoning you, and you won't be able to tell who it is so you let them in anyway because they are honking. There are also two restaurants in the building, PizzApeel and Cafe Diana for those times when you don't want to cook.

The kitchens are small and agreeable enough though they don't have adequate counter space, and be sure to check that your refrigerator works well, because we've gone through several. The insect population has been successfully held in check with Combat Super Gold Disks.

The problems with the apartment comes with the aged plumbing. The water pressure in the showers vary from apartment to apartment, mine's a measly dribble, but my neighbor's is



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Niagara so check that out. The faucets tend to drip and require periodic tightening, and some of the taps have rust flakes in them, so you may prefer drinking spring water. Sometimes the kitchen sink makes alarming sucking sounds, but no harm comes from it. The biggest problem comes when overhead pipes burst. Once the ceiling plaster fell into our bathtub.

The Property Manager is friendly and maintenance is incredibly prompt

and obliging which means that all you have to do is call, and they'll fix any problems. So even though the building is over seventy years old and has defunct gas jets on the walls to prove it, the management goes out of their way to make it a pleasant place to live, which combined with its proximity to campus and relatively cheap price, makes the Blackstone a nice first apartment. And who knows, maybe you'll stay there a little while.

Charles Village

Charles Apartments

by **Erinn Camp**

The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

If you choose to live in the Charles, I would recommend you learn to embrace its character while ignoring the

3333 North Charles Street

(410) 235-8920

Resource Management Group

Rent Scale:

Efficiency \$312 - \$405

1 Bedroom \$475 - \$595

2 Bedroom \$659 - \$869

3 Bedroom \$1099

Amenities:

• Furnished and Unfurnished

• Cable Ready

• Laundry Facilities

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

• Electric

• Gas

Deposits Required:

• Security (1 month)

• Application fee (\$25)

Restrictions:

• None

Parking:

• Off-Street Parking

Recreation Facilities:

• None

Pet Policy:

• Pets allowed with restrictions.

• Fee (\$100 non-refundable)

Notes: P.J.'s Pub located in basement.

lack of modernity and persistent roach problem. Although the building is ancient, held up primarily by paint (probably lead), living in the Charles is both pleasant and convenient.

The Charles is located around the corner for Wolman, directly across the street from the Eisenhower Library, and most importantly, directly over P.J.'s Pub. It's easy to have friends come up for a visit on their way home (somewhere much further away than your own) or you can meet people downstairs at P.J.'s without even leaving the building; there's an entrance through the Charles basement.

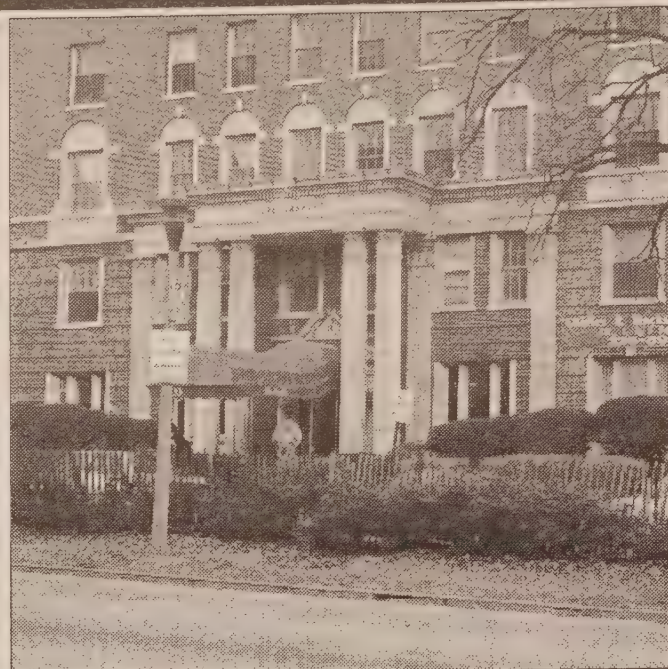
I would also recommend you inquire about apartments on the fifth floor and higher, if they are available. Although P.J.'s is a great place to have downstairs, when you live on the third floor directly above the P.J.'s exit, things can get a bit loud, especially between midnight and 2:30 am. If you are a night owl, it's not usually a problem. If you are an early riser, however, living in this particular section of the Charles might be uncomfortable. When you are shown your potential apartment, look out the window and consider potential noises. If you are one of those late night P.J. patrons, the noise might not be an issue for you and the proximity may be invaluable.

With some imaginative decorating, my place has become quite homey.

A good stereo is also an extremely important item in an apartment building, because even if you aren't living directly over P.J.'s, whining dogs, noisy neighbors, or solitude can often use a little Mozart (or whatever your music of choice may be.) Roommates may serve a similar purpose; I have found both living with good roommates and living alone thoroughly enjoyable. If you're going to live alone, living above P.J.'s and right along the path home for many Hopkinites is a good place to be.

If it is possible to speak to the previous tenant of your possible domicile I would strongly recommend it. The previous tenant of my apartment showed me all of the loose boards, water damage and highlights (like an enormous closet.). He was the one who warned me about the roaches as well. The guy who told me about the problems and pluses also sold me the great blinds and mirrors in my apartment for almost nothing. Definitely talk to your apartment's previous tenant if you have the chance.

The apartment itself is quite spacious for one person. I have the larger Charles efficiency which includes a 12'x20' living/bedroom separated from the 7'x9' dining room by french doors. As you enter the apartment, straight ahead is a full kitchen with a small oven that reads "light oven here" inside at the bottom. Yes, it is



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necessary to light the oven; this is the character part of the apartment. Back to the kitchen, there is no dishwasher, but enough counter space and lots of cabinet space. I think what I love the most, however, are the glass paned cabinets separating the kitchen from the dining area. I have my dishes and wine glasses there as well as some cookbooks. The huge 48"x64" windows (four of them) are also amazing. They make the apartment bright in the

day time, but blinds are a must, especially on the third floor over P.J.'s.

If an apartment that's a bit old, but has a lot of potential is what you're looking for, the Charles is definitely a good catch. Another must, however, is Combat roach motels for the kitchen. As in most buildings, the Charles has periodic roach problems, but Combat seems to do the trick. If you're moving into an apartment anywhere, brace yourself for the occasional roach.

Dell House

by **Robert Martin**

The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

The Dell house is situated on the corner of 29th and Charles, across from the small park in front of the Baltimore Museum of Art. It is a little

2850 North Charles Street

(410) 889-2828

Real Estate Resource Management, Inc.

Rent Scale:

1 Bedroom \$660

2 Bedroom \$795 - \$880

3 Bedroom \$900 (and up)

Amenities:

• Air Conditioning

• Cable Ready

• Carpeting

• Laundry Facilities

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

• Electric

Deposits Required:

• Security (1 month)

• Credit Check (\$25)

Restrictions:

• No water beds.

Parking:

• Off-Street Parking

Recreation Facilities:

• None

Pet Policy:

• No Pets

Notes: Draperies and/or shades. Dishwasher. Garbage disposal.

bit of a walk from the center of campus, but you get used to it after the first week. I am a fast walker and it takes about five minutes to get to Shaffer and ten minutes to Bloomberg. My friends who visit sometimes take a bit longer.

All of the apartments in the building are two bedroom/two bathroom units and go for about \$750 per month, except on the eighth floor, where there is one single apartment and a triple apartment. There are only three apartments or less on each floor, which lends to a general air of quiet privacy.

The apartments are nice, clean and most of them are carpeted. Some, however do come with parquet flooring. The kitchens come fully equipped. They have a dishwasher, garbage disposal, gas range and gas oven. The kitchen's size runs seven and a half by ten and a half feet. There's also some counter space which is good when aspiring gourmet cooks are preparing the evening's repast.

The center units also have a ten and a half foot by sixteen foot dining room. They have a ceiling light for that romantic fixture light dinner you've always wanted. These accommodations seem particularly small. We don't have a dining room table, so instead we used the room for added storage.

Speaking of storage, the closets are exceptionally large. They can be as wide as six feet but they tend to be

shallow which makes them the ideal place for hanging clothes, but not necessarily stacking large boxes.

The building is relatively new, not like its seventy year old neighbors, and therefore it doesn't suffer from some of the drawbacks that come with an aging infrastructure. For example there is no bug problem and the plumbing works quite well. The water pressure in the showers is better than what I had in another apartment.

The apartments include adjustable air conditioning and heating. The heating is sometimes so strong I sleep with the window open just a crack. Living on one of the upper floors, I was pleased to find that the building has two elevators that come promptly. There is also a garbage chute so that you don't have to heft your rubbish all the way downstairs. The laundry machines in the basement, as of the writing, are working fine.

Another of the many comforts that the Dell house has to offer is the reserved parking it provides for its tenants. Those without access to cars will appreciate that the Medical School shuttle stops right outside.

My apartment was originally attached to the one next door which meant that the separating wall is a bit thin and didn't protect from noise as well as the others. However, I think this was an exception in the building.

The building is populated mostly



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by students, although there are some older residents.

The management office is located in the fourteenth floor. The service is excellent. Our dishwasher once needed fixing and the maintenance folks came almost instantaneously. One of the nicest features of the Dell apartments is the sunny full size windows that open upon a great view of the Wyman Park Dell and the Hopkins campus.

The cost is nothing compared to the price of a single room in the AMRs, (\$560 a month — NOT including the meal plan!) It's even better if you get some fun roommates (\$750/3=\$25 a month and no meal plan!) Most of the apartments will let you divide the living room (which also includes the so-called dining) into a bedroom. With creative use of space, two people can live comfortably without intruding on each other.

The Hopkins Area



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Charles Village

Jefferson House

by Florence Starling
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Located at 4 E. 32nd street, the building is close to campus, just across that stretch of Charles Street without a light. The exterior of the apartment house is nice. Over the summer the management company spent a lot of money to have it cleaned.

Like many other apartment build-

4 East 33rd Street

(410) 235-7800

The Time Group

Rent Scale:

Efficiency\$352- \$425

1 Bedroom\$530 - \$544

Amenities:

• Cable Ready

• Laundry Facilities

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

• Electric

• Gas

Deposits Required:

• Security (1 month)

• Application fee (\$25)

Restrictions:

• None

Parking:

• None

Recreation Facilities:

• None

Pet Policy:

• Pets allowed.

Notes: Draperies and/or shades.

ings, it has a buzzer entry system, but it also has a resident directory posted next to the exterior call box. There are a lot of names posted on the residential directory. But when you walk down the hallway, you realize exactly how small the apartments must be if that many people live there. Granted, you have your choice of an efficiency, a studio, or one bedroom layout. It sounds like a lot, but it is really packed in there. Don't try to stretch, you might hit one of your walls.

The entrance to each apartment is guarded by a flimsy slit door and then a flimsy solid door. Both could be kicked through by anyone who just failed an exam. The noises of anyone walking by can be heard through the doors, and actually through the walls as well. The individual apartments are okay, definitely not for claustrophobics or packrats. There is enough room if all you want to do is sleep there. It has radiator heating, no air-conditioning (but you can put in a window unit if you'd like). You pay your own utilities (rethink that air conditioner before you install it). The floors are a varnished hardwood, but with linoleum in the five square feet considered to be the "kitchen" and "bath" areas. The kitchen and bath fixtures tend to be older, with the associated problems like dripping faucets, rust rings, and on the stove, accumulated grease and

grime. The kitchen cabinets offer little more than storage space disguised in the metal cabinets that were really popular back in the 1950s. The kitchen sink and drainer area as well as the stove top are all relics from that era as well. The kitchen-in-a-closet of an efficiency is exactly that—there is a sink/drainage top with some cabinet space above, a miniature refrigerator tucked under one end, and a range top with a tiny oven at the other, all behind a pair of glass doors.

The biggest problems of the apartments is not their size, the age of their fixtures, or their relatively poor ratio between size and price. It is the cockroaches. Yes, e. e. cummings glorified archie, but unless you have a mehitabel to keep your apartment roach-free, you will fight a losing battle with them. They come from the kitchen corners, the bathtub spigot, the exterior door, the interior walls, the windows, even the closets. YOU CANNOT GET RID OF THEM. They will be after your dinner plate before you have finished eating, they will try to rappel off of your shower curtain while you bathe. They will race across your floor to beat your foot into your shoe. They beg you for bedtime stories when you want to sleep. They are invincible and innumerable. Each time you think you have gotten rid of the last roach, an even larger one will strut



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out from the opposite corner and disappear before you can grab your supplies of Raid.

The management company, the Time Group, Inc., is really nice. They have someone at the front desk from 8:30 or so until about 6. They help you out whenever they can, they always have emergency people on call, and they respond fairly quickly to crises. It is their business to run apartment

houses, so they know they have to respond to their tenants. In short, the apartments are located close to campus, they have a good security system, and they have resident-controlled visitor access because of the buzzers. The apartments are in good repair and the building as a whole is generally clean, not spotless, but they do make the effort. However, the units tend to be small, pricey, and roach-infested.

The Marylander

by David Buscher
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

3501 St. Paul Street

(410) 235-7829

(410) 235-2390

St. Paul Management, Inc.

Rent Scale:

Efficiency\$405 - \$445

1 Bedroom\$525 - \$570

2 Bedroom\$680 - \$720

Amenities:

• Air Conditioning available

• Cable Ready

• Carpeting

• Laundry Facilities

• Wheelchair Accessible

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

• Electric

Deposits Required:

• Security (\$49)

• Key

• Application Fee

Restrictions:

• Rugs required

Parking:

• Garage parking (\$50 per month)

Recreation Facilities:

• Exercise Room

Pet Policy:

• No Pets

Notes: Draperies and/or shades. Restaurant, grocery store, barber shop and beauty salon located in basement.

Did you ever see "The Shining," where that little crazy kid is pedaling his Big Wheel up and down the halls of The Overlook Hotel? At first, that's what the Marylander reminded me of. The halls are long and narrow. The elevators are constantly running, and I could faintly hear them (or imagine them) opening and closing all night long. But, as far as I know, my building is not built on a Native-American burial ground.

The Marylander, in fact, does have a personality of its own, but it is not a personality shaped by evil demons. The demographics of the building are sort of split down the middle, with half of the residents student-aged and the other half senior citizens. It is usually a friendly mixture. Over the past few months, I have built up at least a nodding relationship with most of the people I regularly see. The staff of the building is also a mixed bag. Most of the desk staff are fairly brusque, although there are one or two who will pass the time with you. The maintenance personnel is talkative. I've had hour-long conversations with the man assigned to my floor when he was supposed to be fixing my toilet. They usually do a good job with repairs.

Unfortunately, in my apartment at least, there has been a great need for maintenance of late. The toilet tank exploded, and soon after it backed up

and overflowed. The radiator of the people upstairs leaked and caused a large hole to crumble out of the plaster in our living room ceiling. Our refrigerator motor became very noisy and clanky. My roommate's bedroom door suddenly warped and would not open or close without a frightful amount of noise. Nevertheless, the necessary repairs were all completed within the day. They also do periodic spraying for bugs.

The apartments in the Marylander are somewhat large. The living areas and bedrooms are spacious, but the kitchens and bathrooms are on the small side. There are plenty of closets—my two-bedroom model has five, and I've seen large walk-in closets in the efficiencies. The windows are big and the higher apartments have a great view. Some apartments are carpeted, but that costs extra.

The laundry room in the basement is coin-operated. Also in the basement is a weight room, a convenience store, two places to get your haircut, and a new diner. My roommate is fond of saying that, if the Marylander had a cash machine, she'd never have to leave the building.

The Marylander is supposedly a high-security building. You need a key to get in the front door, and visitors have to sign in and be announced by the front desk staff. Security, however, is usually fairly lax, and there is



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nothing to stop you from walking right by the front desk without stopping. Part of the reason for this is that the front desk also acts as a concierge, where they will accept packages, take messages, call you a cab, etc. You can also borrow videos (for free) from the front desk; their selection changes every month. Other things I've borrowed include a snow shovel, a hand cart, and a plunger. They are very well-equipped.

The Marylander is becoming more popular with students, as the rent is reasonable and it is only a two-block walk from campus. However, students have to be careful about how much noise they make at night and not cause any mischief in the halls. At night, an elderly cranky man stalks the corridors, eager to chastise you or slap you with a fine. The building is a fine place to live if you are a calm, friendly person.

Charles Village

The Mayfair

by John Finnie
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

The Mayfair is an eight unit apartment complex with several unique features. To start off, the location of this building has many advantages, as well as a few disadvantages. To get to campus requires a comparably short walk, and Royal Farms is located right across the street.

The time required to get to PJ's is

3 East 33rd Street
(410) 532-8580
Ann Hurlock
Rent Scale:
3 Bedroom\$900
Amenities:
• Laundry Facilities
Utilities Paid by Tenant:
• Electric
• Gas
• Water
Deposits Required:
• Security (1 month)
Restrictions:
• None
Parking:
• None
Recreation Facilities:
• None
Pet Policy:
• No Pets
Notes: None.

a mere two minutes, if that, and the Charles Village Pub, Eddie's Grocery Store, Maryland National Bank, C & C's Carry-Out, as well as several other establishments are within a quick walking distance. On a more somber note, the neighborhood is not always the safest, although this building is located on the edge of Charles Village. Furthermore, the noise emanating from the next door fraternity house has occasionally brought forth complaints from some residents.

The Mayfair has several other interesting features which may help you decide whether you would enjoy living there. The rent for each unit is \$890 a month, with only the water and heating provided free of charge. Most apartments are occupied with three to four people, the chief exception being the efficiency in the basement, normally occupied by one person.

Air conditioning is not provided, although several residents have air conditioning units, which are allowed. This lack of central cooling can lead to a very uncomfortable environment during the summer and the months near the beginning and end of the school year, as anyone who has spent a summer in Baltimore can testify. In general, each unit has three bedrooms, a kitchen, as well as two bathrooms, living and dining rooms, and a large back porch.

Washers and Dryers are provided for \$1 per use in the basement. On the subject of pets, none are supposedly allowed, although this condition outlined clearly in the rental contract is not always strictly adhered to. Musical instruments are also forbidden, but these can be heard at times (thin walls!). The residents and neighbors usually work out a situation in which they get along well enough so that they don't annoy each other.

On a positive note, the entire complex was renovated two summers ago, in 1992. Nevertheless, the walls in this building can seem quite thin at times; if loud noise bothers you, you may want to investigate whom your neighbors will be.

Maintenance, a problem in many apartment buildings, is taken care of during the week by a jovial old man, although major problems sometimes require phone calls to the landlord to receive attention. At times, it seems the landlord is not in touch with the residents, although problems generally don't accumulate.

As far as pests go, an exterminator visits each apartment intermittently throughout the year, although mice can be heard in some units occasionally. On a different note, the walls were painted two shades of pink sometime in the last two years. Some residents have speculated that the land-



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lord wants to house more women, as they are less of a security risk, as far as property damage goes, than men. To summarize, each of the floors has two apartments, and there is no elevator, only stairs. The higher apartments have their advantages, however, as one of the ground floor apartments was repeatedly broken into over the past two years.

Finally, the social scene at the

Mayfair is slightly stagnant; the people in each apartment generally don't interact to a great degree with other people in the building.

Unfortunately, these last few points seem to emphasize the negative aspects of the building; it should be noted that most people living in the Mayfair like it a lot, and this residence is an excellent place to live as an upperclassmen.

Peabody Apartments

by Andrew Dunlap
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Located at 30th and Calvert Streets, a good ten minute walk from the center of the Hopkins campus, the Peabody apartments offer large rooms that are custom made for college stu-

dents on a budget—it also has nothing to do with the music conservatory.

The two major advantages of the Peabody are space and cost. The rooms are huge, and will seem even larger to those who have been stuck in the dorms for the past two years. The apartments offer pretty generous closet space. Some of the living rooms have mantelpieces that are completely non-functional but still look pretty cool. A word of warning: the walls are thin. Especially in those apartments where the realty company has installed plywood "walls" to turn a two-bedroom into a three-bedroom, it is easy to hear what's going on at the other end of the apartment and even in the apartments above and next to you.

The other concern is safety. There is a good reason that the Peabody is so cheap. Almost every tenant, especially those on the first floor, has been the victim of a robbery or an attempted robbery. The realty company has put bars on the windows, but they are not of the cast-iron, theft-repellent variety. Rather, they are small metal jobs that have been tacked into the window sill. This gives the appearance of security, but it is still a good idea to leave the lights and/or television or radio on when you go out late at night. The extra cost on your BG&E bill is worth the cost of whatever valuables might otherwise get snatched.

Triangulated between Pike, ATO

and the Charles Village Schnapp Shop, you are pretty much guaranteed of festive sounds at night on the weekends, highlighted by the Pike boys' a cappella version of Pearl Jam's "I'm Still Alive" around 3 a.m. If frat parties are your thing, then the Peabody is a good place to be. With Sammy and Phi Mu each located a block away, the apartments' location makes stumbling home to bed a lot easier and safer—it also means that you don't have to wait around for the shuttle.

The Schnapp Shop is a mixed blessing. Run by a very friendly bunch of folks, you can get soda, alcohol, newspapers and snacks until 10 p.m. at night (11 p.m. on Saturday) just a few feet away. The problem is so can the many fine residents of the area, many of whom stroll down from Greenmount to beg enough change to buy a pint of Southern Comfort or just to yell obscenities into the pay phones on the corner. The high level of traffic at all hours of the night makes the area generally safer, despite the colorful cast of characters who emerge from the shadows to entertain you, but if you are heading home from campus after midnight, you should definitely call for the shuttle.

Another problem you may encounter is heat. The heating setup dates back to the Eisenhower administration (at best) and is very, very temperamental. On cold winter evenings,



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you can turn the heat up to maximum and will achieve the following results: you will be able to freeze water into ice in the bedroom and the living room while the bathroom will be so hot that one can drop a good ten pounds during the time of an average shower. The best thing to do (discovered after several expensive experiments) is to keep the thermostat at a steady level and hope for the best.

There is a single washer and a

single drier located in the basement, which someone else is usually using. The best way to avoid a hassle is to do your laundry at odd times.

While this review might make the Peabody sound like a nightmare, it really isn't. You can get your own, spacious, decently-lit room for between \$200 and \$300. While not an ideal place to live by any means, if cost and space are your major concerns, you can be very comfortable.

205 East 30th Street
(410) 889-6900
Delaney Realty, Inc.
Rent Scale:
1 Bedroom\$339 - \$345
2 Bedroom\$515
3 Bedroom\$630
Amenities:
• Cable Ready
• Laundry Facilities
Utilities Paid by Tenant:
• Electric
• Gas
Deposits Required:
• Security (1 month)
• Credit Check/Application Fee (\$25)
Restrictions:
• None
Parking:
• Off-Street Parking
Recreation Facilities:
• None
Pet Policy:
• Pets Discouraged
Notes: Charles Village Schnapp Shop located in basement.

Charles Village

Wyman Towers

by M.G. Ackenbomb
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Wyman Towers, like many of the buildings in Charles Village, has seen

3100 St. Paul Street

(410) 235-5600

Shelter Properties Corp.

Rent Scale:

Efficiency\$305 - \$385

1 Bedroom\$435 - \$488

2 Bedroom\$595 - \$650

Amenities:

- Furnished
- Cable Ready
- Laundry Facilities
- Wheelchair Accessible

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

- Electric

Deposits Required:

- Security (\$200)
- Application fee (\$25)

Restrictions:

- None

Parking:

- Off-Street Parking

Recreation Facilities:

- None

Pet Policy:

- Pets allowed
- Pet fee (\$200)

Notes: Draperies and/or shades.

its share of remodeling. At least one of its previous incarnations gave this once elegant building the look of being a little worse for wear. Still, under the new management of Shelter Properties, Wyman Towers makes very functional student housing.

The building is located at 31st and St. Paul Streets. This is convenient not only to campus, but is directly across from the row of shops that contains C.C.'s Carryout, the Homewood Deli, and Eddie's. It also has a bus stop located directly below its St. Paul St. entrance.

The apartment sizes vary from a small efficiency to two bedrooms. While the small and large efficiencies are livable, the studio apartment size is the most comfortable of the single person housing choices. The studio has a large main bedroom, sizable closet, bathroom, small eating area, and a kitchen equipped with a gas range, refrigerator, and sink. The floors in Wyman Towers' apartments are mainly wood, with tile in the hallways.

Residents can find the washing machines in the basement, but the prices are rather steep. It is a \$1.25 to wash and an other \$1.25 to dry. The machines themselves do an O.K. job and are about the same equipment you

would find in the dorms. There is also a food vending machine on the first level, and soda machines in the laundry room.

The management is fairly responsive to problems. They are in-house from 9 to 5 on weekdays and from 9 to 1 on Saturday. This makes it easy to drop in and complain or compliment. The management will also receive UPS and other parcels that are dropped off for you.

The lease in Wyman Towers is generally for a year. Students living on their own for the first time will need their parents to sign a guarantor agreement. This compromise provided by Shelter Properties allows students to live on their own and pay their own rent, but insures that one's parents or other backer will pay the rent if it becomes overdue. Still, it is the student's name on the lease, and this helps build good credit.

The problems with this building are entirely structural. Wyman Towers has definitely seen some wear and tear. Residents may find the plaster on their ceiling crumbling on their desks and toilet seats. Also, the bathrooms are a bit out-dated. While this is a common problem in Charles Village, the old pipes sometimes produce rushes of murky water before issuing



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clear water - especially if one has been away from home for a while. On a good note, this building has fewer problems with bugs than one might find in other Charles Village Apartments.

This is not a bad place for a student to live; in fact it is a good first apartment. Not only is it close to

campus, but it is fairly safe (visitors must use the entry guard system). Some families, senior citizens, and local workers also live in the building. This keeps the atmosphere fairly quiet. If one consistently reports what structural problems they have to the management, they should find their stay in Wyman Towers quite pleasurable

Housing Classifieds

Compiled in this Classifieds section are entries from the most recent regular News-Letter edition. All For Sale/Rent classifieds pertaining to housing appear here in this special edition. Refer to the the regular weekly News-Letter for continued listings of available housing.

FOR RENT SPACIOUS TOWNHOUSE: (Hamilton Ave. & Belair Rd. Area) 3 BR, 1 1/2 baths, W/W/C, Club Basement, Washer/Dryer, refrig, C/A, Fenced in uard, No pets. 20 Min. to Hopkins. \$610/Mo. & Deposit. Avail. Feb. 15th Please call 893-0274 or 252-7445.

Updated TH. walk to campus. 3 BR, CA/CH, WD, Bike entrance, Back Porch, DR, Piano, \$750/M (410) 486-2193 day (703) 698-9300 NICK

Housing wanted: Academic couple on sabbatical seeking furnished apartment or house, June-August, 1994. Call 516-4670 daytime.

House for rent. Hampden 2 BR TH near JHU/ Wyman Park. \$475/mo. 337-6814.

Tuscany-Canterbury home, 3B, 3 baths, study, great kitchen, parking for 2 cars, walk to JHU, completely furnished, available Sept. 1994, \$1300/mo. plus utilities, no pets, call 410-467-5085.

Townhouse for rent. As of 3/1/94. Near Johns Hopkins Hospital. Clean, secure, and well maintained. \$250 plus utilities. 235-5748

Guilford. 5 bedroom brick, EOG, modern kitchen, walk-in closets, full basement, two-car garage, hardwood floors, large lot, fireplace, walk to JHU/UMH. By Owner, \$136,600. 243-9007 evenings.

NEW GRADUATES - own a renovated 3 BR/ 2BA townhouse in Upper Fells Point for \$600/MO. And no money down. Exposed brick and

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FOR RENT 2 BR-TH, Hampden, near JHU, \$500/mo., 337-6814

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Guilford

A Walk on the North Side

by Heneeth Arone

The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Life outside of Charles Village isn't exactly a cavalcade of excitement. Then again, life inside of Charles Village isn't much better. What Villagers do claim to have, though, is a monopoly on the area shopping district. They'd be wrong. Residents on the University's North side have to do a bit more searching to find shops and services, but they're there all the same.

Besides groceries and restaurants, the area is home to a number of hair salons, dry cleaners, and other merchants who college students probably will need to visit.

The neighborhood itself is a largely middle-to-upper-middle-class collection of both families and retirees. Yuppies, those quaint eighties relics, didn't seem to make much headway into this quiet area.

Rowhouses on the North side have been replaced by high-rise apartments. Tucked around them are quaint buildings, older houses, or, if you venture deeper into the neighborhood, bucolic suburbs.

While this arrangement precludes walking across your porch to fetch a cup of sugar from your neighbor, folks here are no less friendly — they're just a bit farther away.

The area is fairly spread out, so don't expect everything to be right outside of your door. Some walking may be required, and a good pair of sneakers will come in handy.

Where to Shop

Food, that most important of college commodities, is fairly easy to come across. If you just need to pick up something quick, like a loaf of bread or stick of butter, both the **Hopkins Deli** (110 W. 39th St.) and the **Broadview Market & Deli** (105 W. 39th St.) are good choices. Besides having a limited selection of groceries, each serves hot and cold sandwiches as well. Hopkins Deli also stocks beer and liquor. Prices are a little high—convenience stores usually are, though.

A better choice, if you need to do some heavy-duty stocking-up, would be either **Giant** (the Rotunda) or the new **Super Fresh** (41st and Hickory). Both are cheap (or as cheap as you're going to get in this town), and have the biggest selection of groceries in the area. The recent opening of the Super Fresh has led to a small price war between the two as they struggle for (super)market share. You're the winner, as each has been having some really good sales lately. **Giant** has the added advantage of being open 24 hours a day.

Of special interest is **The Green**



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Guilford is the quiet neighborhood that borders Hopkins to the north.

Earth (3811 Canterbury Rd.), in the Ambassador. Stocking a wide array of health foods and vegetarian items, this shop is worth a visit. Free-range poultry, fresh herbs, vitamins, organic produce, and (most amazingly) glass-bottled milk are available here. Definitely worth a trip.

If you're lucky enough to have earned a trip outside of the kitchen, a few restaurants are within walking distance. On the cheaper end of things, **Dragon Palace** (500 W. University Parkway) serves up adequate Chinese, and they deliver. Also, **Casa Mia** (the Rotunda) has pretty good pizza and other Italian food going for low rates. There's also a deli in the Rotunda.

Maybe, by some minor miracle, you've managed to find yourself a date, and you want to go someplace nice. Save up for a while and try **The Polo Grill** (4 W. University Parkway). This très chic joint is consistently on lists of Baltimore's best restaurants for serving up high-quality American fare. Another solid choice would be **Jeanners'** (105 W. 39th). Though you'd never guess it from looking, this French restaurant reeks of elegance. A good bet, if you want to impress.

After dropping escargot on your cravat, you'll need to have it dry cleaned. Luckily, a spate of cleaners are available in the area. **Cleaners Plus** (2 W. Univ.), **R & B Cleaners** (500 W. Univ.), and **Rotunda Cleaners** (guess) are safe bets.

There are also a variety of hair-care services in the area. Some offer discounts to students; ask before going. **Ashley's** at the Colonnade, for example, has a discount day on Tuesdays; **Headlines** at the Broadview gives 10% off with ID any day. A bit further out is **Tangles** (3728 Roland Avenue), which is nearly impossible to reach without a bicycle. Hours at this establishment are a bit touchy, so call before visiting.

The anachronistic **Ambassador Gift Shop** (3811 Canterbury Rd.) has greeting cards and other trinkets which you may want to buy as, well, gifts. Despite being well-hidden, the shop has been around for 61 years; they must be doing something right to pay their rent.

If there's anything else left to be mentioned, it's probably in the **Rotunda**. Not much more than a strip mall underneath a roof, the Rotunda is made up largely of local merchants. **Gordon's Booksellers** is a good place

to start looking for whatever books our fine campus bookstore doesn't stock; they also have a good children's bookstore that is a good place to go and pretend that you don't have any worries while you read Richard Scarry. **Recordmaster** has an expensive, limited selection of music. A better bet is **Recordmaster Classics**, across the hall, which has a far deeper stock. Other offerings in the Rotunda include a **Maryland National Bank** branch, a **RadioShack**, various clothing stores, a crafts store, and a liquor store. There's also a movie theater here which shows first-run features. Offerings tend to be slightly off the beaten path.

Well, there you have it. A nearly-complete guide to the North side of campus. The area is rich in resources, though, and there are certainly more out there to be found. So get out there and shop!

The Great Outdoors

If your idea of getting outside consists of more than a keg on the Beach, you may find yourself more comfortable in the environs of the North. Don't expect Yellowstone, but there

is definitely more green here than in the Village. Parks, trees, lots of space to walk, and lush gardens make this part of town feel a bit less like a city.

For starters, the University's very own BIA field is a nice, quiet spot when sweaty boys aren't hitting each other with long lacrosse sticks. For any golfers amongst you, this is the closest thing to a driving range you're going to find around. A word of advice, though—don't bring more than an eight iron. You'll fly the field.

Oh, and by the way, bring lots of balls. They tend to plug.

On Linkwood Road there is a quiet park with a playground, right across from Loyola College. If you feel a burning need to jump in a sandbox, they've got one. There's also a jungle gym and a swingset, too.

Somewhere in the neighborhood of 39th Street, a beautifully maintained tulip garden is kept. In the spring, the place is positively beautiful. The magnificent mansion which overlooks the garden is responsible for its upkeep.

On your way back home, be sure to note the house on the right side of the street with the sign in front inviting you to come see the owner's birds. Honestly, it's there.

Guilford

The Broadview

by Bob Lessick

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105 West 39th Street
at University Parkway
(410) 243-1216

Broadview Management Group Rent Scale:

Efficiency\$405 - \$448
1 Bedroom\$500 - \$570
2 Bedroom\$688 - \$869

Amenities:

- Furnished and Unfurnished
- Cable Ready
- Laundry Facilities

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

- Electric
- Gas

Deposits Required:

- Security (\$200)
- Application fee (\$25)

Restrictions:

- None

Parking:

- Inside (\$55 per month)
- Outside (\$48 per month)

Recreation Facilities:

- None

Pet Policy:

- Pets allowed with restrictions.
- Fee (\$100 non-refundable)

Notes: Food & Sundrys, Beauty Shop and Jeaniers' restaurant located in basement. 24-hour front desk service. Master TV antenna available.

The Broadview Apartments are located in one of the largest buildings in the Homewood area at the corner of 39th Street and University Parkway. Although the main entrance is across from Hopkins House at 105 W. 39th St., the official address is 116 W. University Pkwy.

With efficiencies starting at \$375/mo. and one bedroom apartments starting at \$475/mo., the Broadview is a bit less expensive than nearby buildings such as University West, Hopkins House, and the Carlyle. Rent prices include gas for cooking and hot water, but not electricity. About half of the Broadview's residents are senior citizens, and the Broadview is less likely than the other nearby buildings to rent to undergraduates.

In order to select grad students and post-docs over undergrads, the Broadview's policy requires that no more than 25 percent of an applicant's income go to rent money. It is possible to circumvent that requirement by having a family member co-sign the application and lease. A few undergrads live at the Broadview, mostly seniors. More common are very recent graduates who stay in the area for a year or two after leaving the University.

Although the Broadview is older than Hopkins House or the Carlyle, the building is well-maintained and in excellent condition. There is a hair

salon and mini-mart on the first floor, while the second floor houses Jeanner's, a rather expensive French restaurant.

Having lived at Hopkins House before moving to the Broadview, I can say that the Broadview is cheaper but a bit less extravagant. There are no dishwashers or swimming pools at the Broadview, but maintenance is excellent—repair requests are handled quickly and efficiently. Closets are quite large, and building security is effective but not intrusive. The owners live in the building, as do most workers at the front desk, who generally recognize the residents.

The basement, in addition to a parking garage entrance, has a laundry room, an exercise room, and a "recreation room." The exercise room is not very large, and the recreation room offers little more than a place to read while doing laundry. Washers and dryers are 70 cents per load, cheaper than most laundromats in the area. The laundry room is open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and can get quite crowded around closing time.

All apartments have an electric heat pump and air conditioner in every major room. Since residents pay for their own electricity, the pumps are equipped with timers. The timers really help to minimize electric bills by keeping the heat off while not home. Electric bills run from about 20



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to 40 dollars per month in a one bedroom apartment.

As for location, the neighborhood is a lot quieter than Charles Village. It may be a long walk to the lower quad, but it's very close to the athletic center and track, and convenient to Mudd and Bloomberg. Hopkins Deli is right across the street, but unlike Royal Farms, it closes at 11:00 p.m. The Rotunda and the Green Earth health food store are both within easy walk-

ing distance. The building does have a parking garage, but I've rarely had trouble finding parking on University Pkwy. or 39th St. The bus stop for the MTA's 61 line to the Inner Harbor is right outside the building.

The Broadview bills itself as "comfortable in-town living with a suburban flair." While the suburban aspect may be a bit overstated, it is a quiet building with decent facilities at reasonable rates.

The Carlyle

500 West University Parkway
(410) 889-4500

University Associates

Rent Scale:

Efficiency\$70 - \$500
1 Bedroom\$520 - \$640
2 Bedroom\$599 - \$895

Amenities:

- Furnished and Unfurnished
- Carpeting
- Cable Ready
- Air Conditioning
- Laundry Facilities
- Wheelchair Accessible

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

- Electric

Deposits Required:

- Security (1 month)

Restrictions:

- None

Parking:

- Indoor (\$45 - \$50)
- Outdoor (\$35)

Recreation Facilities:

- Fitness Center
- Social Room
- Swimming Pool
- Study Lounge

Pet Policy:

- Cats allowed

Notes: 24-hour service desk. Dragon Palace restaurant, dry cleaners and professional offices located in basement.

by Todd Mason Rooney

The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

The Carlyle Apartments, located at 500 West University Parkway, is a sixteen-floor building whose residents include students, senior citizens, and several young families. Within a ten to fifteen minute stroll to campus, the Carlyle is an excellent place for Hopkins students to live.

The rent is fairly reasonable; we pay \$975 per month for a three-bedroom apartment (these are rare - they are actually converted two-bedroom units, with the former dining room acting as the third bedroom), gas and plug-in electric included, and this is one of the more expensive units. The small kitchen has a four-burner gas stove, a single gas oven, a large refrigerator/freezer, a spacious sink with a disposal unit, and plenty of cabinet space.

The building itself is in good shape and is kept clean by a diligent maintenance staff. While it is true that we have had some problems with cockroaches and the occasional mouse, periodic exterminations keep the problem to a tolerable level. There are garbage chutes on every floor, near the service elevator, but the management requests that large bags of trash be carried to the dumpsters outside the basement. The heating and air condi-

tioning work well, for the most part; during periods of varying temperatures (38°F today, 68°F tomorrow) the system sometimes has trouble keeping up. Similarly, the plumbing is usually satisfactory, although we have had a few cold showers on winter mornings.

The Carlyle's facilities are decent as well. On the roof of the building, there is a small pool (quite nice on those steamy summer days in Baltimore) and a small but useful fitness room, which includes two stair machines, two rowing machines, a stationary bike and a Nautilus station. The laundry room is expensive (\$1.25 per load to wash, \$1.25 to dry), but I have never had difficulty finding an open machine; in addition, there are two huge dryers which can handle at least two loads at a time. The three-level parking garage under the building (\$40 per month) is cramped, and there is often a waiting list for spaces. There is a meeting room downstairs which is pretty nice, but goes largely unused. Also in the building is the Dragon Palace Chinese Restaurant.

Security at the Carlyle is better than at most apartments in the area. A doorman is in the lobby twenty-four hours a day, and there are security cameras in the lobby, the laundry room, outside the basement door and just inside the garage door. Each apart-



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ment door has a key lock, and deadbolt and a peephole, and special keys are required to open the garage door, the door to the basement from outside, and the door on each level of the garage.

My only major complaint about the Carlyle has to do with the elevators. The two main elevators are fast and clean, but the service elevator is often problematic. If someone is mov-

ing in or out, they may request a special key which "locks off" the service elevator to all other users. As a result, this elevator is often slow, if it arrives at all, and is subject to periodic breakdowns.

On the whole, I would recommend the Carlyle to any group of students. When you enter the building, don't be put off by the fancy lobby - the rest of the building is solid and casual.

Guilford

Hopkins House

110 West 39th Street
(410) 889-6121

The Time Group

Rent Scale:

Efficiency\$465 - \$560
1 Bedroom\$635 - \$755
2 Bedroom\$770 - \$885

Amenities:

- Furnished and Unfurnished
- Air Conditioning
- Cable Ready
- Carpeting
- Laundry Facilities
- Wheelchair Accessible

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

- None

Deposits Required:

- Security (1 month)
- Credit check (\$25)
- Redecoration fee (\$150 - \$200 non-refundable)

Restrictions:

- Rugs required.

Parking:

- Covered (\$60)
- Uncovered (\$35)

Recreation Facilities:

- Swimming Pool
- Fitness Club
- Tanning Salon

Pet Policy:

- Cats allowed.

Notes: Closed circuit TV security system. Accepts packages. Deli and convenience market located in basement.

by Kate Crystal

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Hopkins House is located on the north end of campus, at the junction of San Martin Drive and University Parkway.

The biggest disadvantage is the long haul to campus. Unless you like to walk 20 minutes every day. Of course, this is not that bad if you are a physics major — Bloomberg is just a hop away — but if you have classes on the lower quad it can be an inconvenience. The walk is actually more like 15 minutes, but if you live on the floors higher than the fifth, the elevators are pretty darn slow, and it can easily take five minutes to get out of the building. Another problem with the location is that if you have an hour or two between classes, it is not practical to go home and back.

Most Hopkins House apartments are either singles or two bedrooms. While these apartments are not made for three or four tenants, they can easily fit extra roommates. That is the most common arrangement for undergraduates who live here. If three people share (or in the case of a large two bedroom, four people), the rent is fairly cheap. The apartments will accommodate these arrangements as there is ample closet space.

To fully benefit from living here, some people will have to share. It is

not possible to convert the living room or any part of it into someone's room, in that it connects the kitchen to the rest of the apartment.

The kitchens have the misfortune of having a considerable lack of counter space. But there really are plenty of good points about the kitchen including the fact that in addition to the refrigerators and gas ovens, they also have dishwashers!

Hopkins House has not only heat but also air conditioning. Yup, but there's a catch, and it's that the apartment will often either be way too hot or way too cold. Most of the apartments offer great views. All the apartments have balconies and sliding glass doors which admit plenty of light. The only bad view one can get are from those apartments which face the Broadview. Then come the real luxuries: On the top floor there a pool, there is also a tanning room and a weight room!

Maintenance is, in general, good at taking care of specific complaints. They also take care of regular pest control spraying. Luckily, pests are not usually a problem, unless there is lots of trash lying around. You will find next to no rats in the building, unless of course these rats are pets and even then you aren't allowed to have them since the pet policy is to allow only birds and cats (an improvement over other buildings, where no ani-



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mals are allowed).

Security is good. During the day there is someone working at the management desk by the front entrance. Residents can always get in from Hopkins Deli or the front entrance with an access card, but guests need to call up from the front entrance and get buzzed into the building.

There is another luxury feature here, a video camera located by the front door which any resident can

watch if they hook up the television correctly.

Lots of students live in Hopkins House which can be convenient for things like late night studying socializing etc., but it also contributes to noise which can be heard through the not-completely-soundproof walls.

Overall, Hopkins House is a good place to live. If you are interested, however, you will have to put your name on a wait list.

The Linkwood

by Kenneth Aaron

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When I talk to people about the Linkwood, the conversations always go the same way. It's clean, it's cheap, the neighbors are friendly, I say. Oh, and by the way, it's about a sixteen minute walk to campus. That's when people suddenly lose interest.

4000 Linkwood

(410) 323-8280

West Realty Corporation

Rent Scale:

Efficiency\$375
1 Bedroom\$505
2 Bedroom\$520 - \$635

Amenities:

- Air Conditioning
- Cable Ready
- Laundry Facilities

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

- Electric

Deposits Required:

- Security (\$500)

Restrictions:

- Rugs required
- No waterbeds.

Parking:

- Off-Street Parking

Recreation Facilities:

- None

Pet Policy:

- No Pets.

Notes: Draperies and/or shades. Dishwasher.

But aside from that one, glaring drawback, the Linkwood is a great place to hang your bookbag. The three-story apartment complex, which is set behind the Carlyle alongside a quiet brook, is broken up into two long buildings. Each building is further split into four divisions with separate entrances, each leading to six units.

Inside the apartments, visitors will find enough amenities to make up for the walk. My unit had newly installed windows and a new dishwasher, as well as freshly-sanded hardwood floors and repainted walls. Those walls aren't the thickest in the world, but when I'm there I don't hear much noise from the neighbors.

Closet space is plentiful. Besides large closets in the bedrooms, there are closets in the entry, bathroom, and hallway. There are more than enough cabinets in the kitchen—in fact, they're everywhere. I still haven't figured out what to do with the four-by-one foot jobs which are conveniently located eight feet above the floor. Maybe Jimmy Hoffa's in there.

Speaking of the kitchen, it's one of the nicest I've found. A nice kitchen in Baltimore, for the uninitiated, has fewer than three million roaches. There is plenty of floor space, so your roommates can all come in and watch you make a disaster of your Sunday-morning pancakes. Both oven and stove are gas-powered. While I've enjoyed all

of this, the teal-green color scheme of the countertops leaves a bit to be desired.

The bedrooms are nicely sized. In the two-bedroom apartment which I pay rent on, there is one large bedroom with an attached toilet, and a smaller one with a full bath in the hallway outside. The living/dining room, which is in front of the apartment, has plenty of windows. In real estate parlance, this would probably constitute an 'airy' space.

The bathroom, besides having the requisite toilet, sink, and shower, has a built-in hamper. It also has one thing many people overlook when apartment-shopping—water pressure. You'd think that the damn showers were hooked up to a fire hose, the way they put out water. So much for conservation.

Storage lockers, in the basement, are assigned to each apartment. The washer/dryer is also located here. Each building has only one pair, but since only six apartments share it, there's not much of a problem getting to it. Loads cost \$0.75 to wash and \$1.00 to dry. Water is included in the rent. Perhaps more importantly, so is one parking space. Gas and electricity are extra, as well as telephone service. Each unit is cable ready. For my two-bedroom apartment, rent is \$600—more than reasonable.

Security in the buildings isn't that



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tight, which is unfortunate. There is no lock on the main door, and anybody could walk in. Considering the area, though, crime isn't much of a problem here. Getting mugged isn't a prevalent fear for residents of Linkwood Road.

Closest shopping in the area is at the Rotunda. The Hopkins Deli is within walking distance. Also down Linkwood Road is a small park, and

Loyola College. The neighborhood is decidedly suburban—lots of Volvos cruising around. This isn't a place to move if you expect to fall out of your door and into a party.

Living in the Linkwood is a terrific alternative to the weather-beaten rowhouse scene of Charles Village. Sure, it's a bit quiet, but then again, being next to PJ's and Royal Farms isn't all it's cracked up to be.

Guilford

The Northway



3700 North Charles Street
(410) 235-3700

Northway
Rent Scale:

Efficiency\$325 - \$400
1 Bedroom\$500
2 Bedroom\$700 - \$725
3 Bedroom\$800

Amenities:

- Cable Ready
- Laundry Facilities

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

- Electric
- Gas

Deposits Required:

- Security (1 month)

Restrictions:

- Curtains required.

Parking:

- Garage (\$30 - \$50)
- Deposig (\$50)

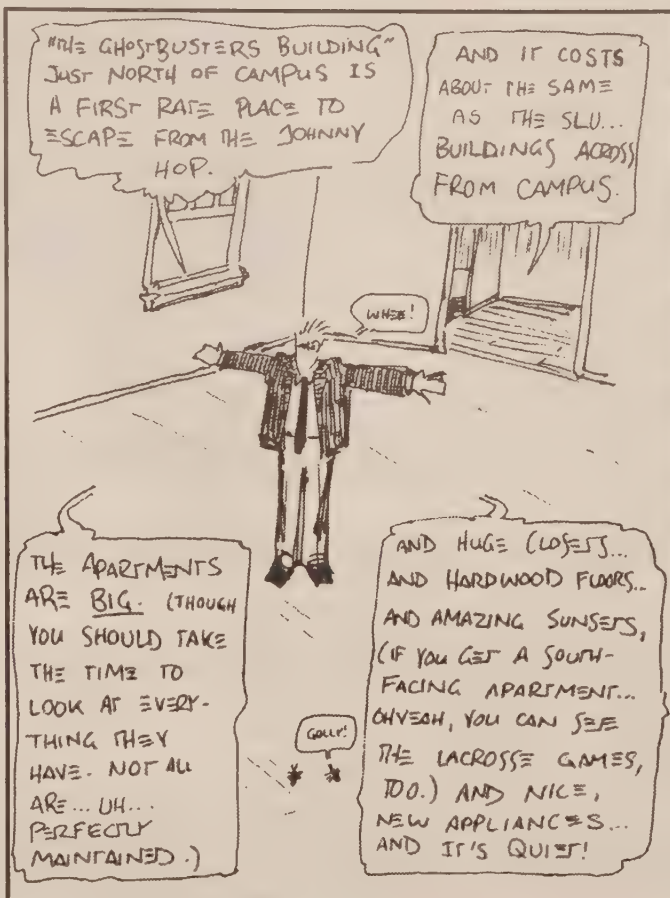
Recreation Facilities:

- Sunbathing Terrace

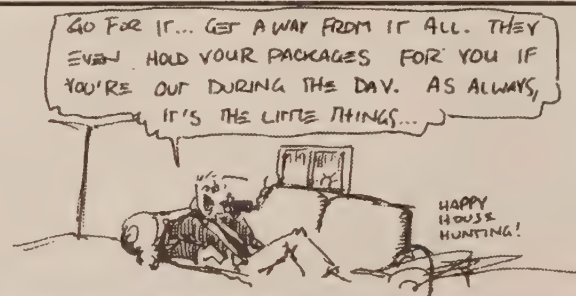
Pet Policy:

- Cats Allowed.

Notes: Utilities calculated by square footage.



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University West

by Alex Berg

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University West Apartments, actually two completely separate buildings, are two of the best maintained of

106 West University Parkway
(410) 467-2800

Maryland Management Company

Rent Scale:

Efficiency\$499 - \$524
1 Bedroom\$547 - \$739
2 Bedroom\$776 - \$859

Amenities:

- Cable Ready
- Laundry Facilities

Utilities Paid by Tenant:

- Electric
- Gas

Deposits Required:

- Security (1 month)
- Application fee (\$25)

Restrictions:

- No waterbeds.
- Rugs required.

Parking:

- Off-Street Parking

Recreation Facilities:

- None

Pet Policy:

- Cats allowed
- Rent (\$17.50)

Notes: Vintage apartments. Draperies and/or shades. Dishwasher.

the "older generation" of apartment buildings around campus. Recently renovated, the highlights of the apartments are their kitchens — complete with dishwasher and microwave — and the bathrooms with tasteful modern fixtures.

After looking around at apartments during sophomore year, University West was really like a breath of fresh air — literally. Unlike other apartments the halls were relatively clean and did not stink, neither did the nearly immaculate kitchens. Although the decor of the common spaces may be too pink for some, the lack of odor definitely makes up for it.

While all the apartments have high ceilings and large windows some, especially the southern corner units on the first floor, are especially bright and airy. Most of the apartments seem to be based on a one bedroom design with a few two bedroom units and large one bedroom units which can be easily partitioned. The smaller efficiencies and non-corner units suffer from their lack of cross ventilation, a problem in a building with no central air-conditioning. In addition, during the summer months the interior halls are excruciatingly hot.

Every apartment has a separate bathroom including tub/shower, sink, mirror, and toilet. The fixtures are all relatively new and look it. Apparently

each bathroom has a window, something you won't always find elsewhere. The only complaints are that the light sockets seem to eat bulbs at an unusual rate and the showers use hard-to-clean sliding doors instead of curtains (cheaply replaceable). The tub is a definite luxury after the dorms (unless you happened to live in one of the handicapped suites).

Some units have separate fully equipped kitchens, while some smaller units have kitchenettes on one wall of the main living room. All include full-sized hanging microwaves. While not very powerful they do work and save some counter space. Each apartment also has a full-sized refrigerator, sink and yes dishwasher. The kitchen is also the location for the best part of moving into University West Apartments, a care package from the management. Included is a small box of dish washer detergent as well as various other cleaning solutions.

Walking to the Athletic Center and Bloomberg is refreshingly quick after living in McCoy or Wolman, although Shriver and the shuttle are solid 15-20 minute walks. The Rotunda is within walking distance and the hallways are wide enough to accommodate two shopping bags. Crossing the street in the morning can be taxing as there is no nearby crosswalk.

The best part of University West is



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that there is someone working in the rental office six days a week — a live body to receive questions, complaints, and to act as an intermediary for Maryland Management which manages the place. For requests which require maintenance there are two men who work six days a week as well, and one is on call 24 hours seven days a week for emergencies and lockouts. Between the three of them they give the

apartments a friendly and cooperative feel which is lacking in some of the larger apartments.

One drawback for students is that many of the residents in the buildings are not students. As the lady in the rental office says, "You really do need to visit and see our work." While you are there consider lack of parking, no central air conditioning and the long walk to southern campus.

Odds & Ends

A How-To Guide to House Hunting

An Encouraging Look at Ways to Find That Special Place You Can Call Home

by **Erinn Camp**
The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

It's house hunting season! March is definitely the month to start researching possible homes for next year. Although most building managers won't be able to tell you about their available apartments until April, it would be a good idea to start exploring buildings and neighborhoods so that you can stake out your preferred places.

In order to optimize your chances of acquiring your perfect place, get as much information as you can now and make your decision early in April. By the end of April most of the best housing opportunities have passed you by; after this you will have to rely on a lot of luck or a lot of cash. Remember, house hunting can be a fun process if you give yourself enough time and put yourself in an imaginative frame of mind.

This Housing Guide is a good place to start your timely and skillful search for a new home. Before you begin, however, it would be a good idea to make a few preliminary decisions. Some general decisions and some personal restrictions should be made before you begin your search. One important restraint will be your budget. Before you start you may want to set yourself a price range.

Remember rent is only one of the factors in computing the cost of living in the building you choose. Utilities, fees and deposits vary greatly among the available housing so breaking

down and adding up prices in order to compare housing will take some time. Besides your budget, there are other things to consider like: whether you want roommates or not, and if so who should they be; whether to do on versus off-campus housing; and how to optimize the resources available for your search.

In addition to this Housing Guide, the Offices of On-Campus and Off-Campus Housing are good sources of information on the student housing options available. There is an On-Campus Housing Office in AMR II across from the Residential Life Office and another one in Wolman Room 103. In the Off-Campus Housing Office, Wolman Room 102, there are numerous folders, notebooks, and pamphlets on everything you could ever think of (and lots of things you might not) about how to find the perfect housing for you. These notebooks include information on the following: commercial listings, real estate agents and companies, roommate requests, rooms, houses, rent scales, and faculty/graduate housing.

The Office of Off-Campus Housing also has detailed material on transportation (buses and metro), pages of useful tips, listings of important names and numbers, and one housing guide which seemed particularly useful called The Greater Baltimore Apartment Guide and Tenant's Handbook issued by Colleges & Universities Hospitals and Medical Centers. Once you've checked out these offices and collected stacks of information, in-

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find useful*

cluding the Apartment Guide and the News-Letter Housing Guide, you can relax and just read for a while. You're doing great and you're half way through the house hunting and coming in for the kill. Remember: this is fun!

The next step is to make a list of places you've discovered that look promising and go visit them. You will probably want to take an afternoon and go for an on site inspection of the building, your potential apartment or room, and the neighborhood. Most rental offices are only open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday so house hunting weekends may not be as productive as a good long weekday afternoon.

When you visit your possible domicile be aware of potential safety problems. Take notice of how well the grounds are maintained (large shrubs can become hiding places for unwanted visitors). Be sure the area

around the building is well lit and if parking is an issue for you, also determine whether the parking is nearby and secure. The security from building to building varies in quality, of course. If you have overprotective parents or are very concerned about security the on-campus fortresses are certainly your best bet (although extremely annoying in my opinion.) The alarms at Wolman, McCoy, and Ivy can be heard for miles around and sound frequently. If this is something that would irritate you or seem like undue fuss, try someplace far away from 34th and Charles. I'm sure among the many bits of information you will have collected there will be numerous lists of safety tips—read them.

Having lived off-campus since my sophomore year, in two different places, with and without roommates I have some housing experience that you might find useful. Beyond just examining the safety of the building you are inspecting and talking to the property manager about further details, ask to view an apartment and if at all possible speak with the former, or current, tenant. I was bequeathed a set of mirrors and great window blinds by the former tenant of my apartment. Every little bit helps when you're trying to fill an empty apartment. If you need to rent furniture ask the property manager about it when you visit; some buildings have associate firms which lease furniture to tenants.

Take your time when you inspect the apartment you are considering. Open doors, turn on faucets, flush

toilets, inspect outlets, examine the paint on walls and ceilings and check out the condition of the floor. If there are no carpets ask whether you are required to have rugs; many buildings require that 80% of the floor be carpeted. If this is the case you should definitely know since it will have to be factored into your budget and compared accordingly. Ask any question that comes to mind and remember, you are interviewing them.

Look out the window to check both the security of the window and what lies outside. Formerly, my window was directly over the dumpster in the alley below and at 5:00 a.m. a couple times a week the most deafening noise from the dump truck awakened me. Although I learned sleep through the noise most of the time, it was an added irritation I didn't expect. Now I live in the Charles over P.J.'s pub which has its own set of noises, but I anticipated these noises and decided it would still be worth it. It was.

All in all I'm very happy with my apartment, although I must admit, I kind of fell into my own housing situations. I was lucky. Luck is good, but skillful house hunting is safer and can be much less stressful. Now is the time to collect data and consider your options. You may spend quite a long time in your new place so plan and explore carefully. Your next task will be to make your new place all your own by filling it with all your stuff and adding personal touches. This part is even more fun than house hunting!

Ordering Telephone, Gas and Electric: A Beginner's Guide

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When you finally have your new apartment, if you haven't prepared ahead of time you might find yourself without a few essentials: electricity, gas, and telephone service. In order to have these utilities ready when you move into your new residence, start working about two weeks before moving in.

Telephone

Depending on your priorities and lifestyle, you might consider the telephone the more important of the utilities. In Baltimore, this service is provided by C&P Telephone. Don't be thrown if you see Bell Atlantic listed as the telephone com-

pany, they are the same entity. Eventually, the only name you will find is Bell Atlantic.

When you call C&P to arrange for service, they will have a series of questions for you to answer. Tell the operator that you are a student moving out of the dorms. The operator will want to know your year in college and when your expected date of graduation is. He or she will also ask your date of birth, social security number, and want a permanent address. For this, use your parents' or other close relative's house. The interview process will take about 15 minutes.

At the end the customer service assistant will give you an address to send a check to. This check will probably be for about \$125. This fee includes both an advance payment and a deposit.

The deposit is \$50 and the phone

company will keep this money for a year. If you still have service at the end of the year, this money will be returned to you. If your service is terminated before the end of a year, this money will be applied to your final bill.

The advance payment is \$75 and will go towards paying several of the charges incurred when you first initiate service. It will help pay the connection fee, your first month's phone bill, and any partial month's billing that may have occurred before your first bill arrived.

Apply at least 14 days in advance for service, giving your check time to get to the telephone company and allowing the company to take care of any paper work.

The local number you can call to have your C&P telephone service activated is 276-8576.

Baltimore Gas and Electric

The other two utilities that you may have to turn on yourself are gas and electric. Both of these are maintained by Baltimore Gas and Electric (BG&E). While BG&E says to call at least 48 hours in advanced, it is probably best to call at least 5 days before you want service. Your landlord may provide these utilities, so check with him or her before you call. The number is 685-0123.

This application process is even easier than the phone company's. Have your name, date of birth, and social security number ready. BG&E will take this information, and run it through the credit bureau. Based on the credit bureau's response, BG&E might ask for a deposit. Be ready to pay a deposit, and if you don't have to

commit the money, be happy.

Payments

Expect to pay about \$23 a month for phone service, not including long distance. For gas and electric expect to pay between \$20 and \$50 depending on the month and if you have an air conditioner, radiator, or other type of environmental appliance. All told, expect to pay at least \$45 per residence each month in addition to rent.

Don't think that the phone and/or gas companies won't turn off your service if you let payments slip. Sometimes, they'll even discontinue service before you get a notice. So keep track of your checks. If your utility payments haven't been cashed, call the company to make sure they received the money.

Odds & Ends

A Look at Life on the Row

by Janine Phillips

The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

So you're looking to move off campus. In addition to University housing, private apartments, fraternity houses and the ever-appealing option of living at home, you might want to consider a row house. One of a series of multi-floored dwelling strung in a row along most Baltimore city thoroughfares, the row house is a staple of mid-Atlantic architecture.

There are several realty companies in the area who lease row houses, and it will take a great deal of legwork to find out which can offer you the best deal. Like anything else, it helps to plan early. A stroll down Charles, St. Paul and Calvert streets will yield half a dozen "For Rent" signs that will tell you what is available. If you know seniors, now is the time to ask around for who is moving out of where. If you can convince a group of soon-to-be graduates to allow you to inherit their house, odds are you will be able to inherit the lease terms they've hammered out with the landlord.

There are numerous advantages to row house living, the first being cost. While you will have to negotiate a price with the realty company, average prices per month hover between \$1200 and \$1500 per month. That seems steep, but when you're splitting the cost with four or five other people,

the rent works out to a very reasonable amount. The advantages of splitting costs also becomes apparent when the bills roll in each month. Everyone is responsible for their own long distance calls, of course, but basic phone, electric and cable TV service works out to five or ten bucks per bill per person per month.

Putting financial concerns aside, there are social factors to consider. If you and a bunch of your friends get on really well, you will very probably be able to capture some of the camaraderie of dorm living in a row house environment. In most houses on the Charles Village side of campus, there is almost always somebody home or something going on. You will also be free from the restrictions of dorm or residence hall living. Instead of RAs and the Housing Office, the only people you will have to worry about when you decide to entertain will be the neighbors and the friendly folks at the police department.

Of course, there are disadvantages too. An active house can be fun, but it doesn't always make for the most conducive of study environments. Make sure you know your housemates. The walls in row houses are not always as thick as the barriers in the dorms, which means those with a propensity for blasting their tunes at high volumes can count on annoying their housemates and next door neighbors.

The best bet is to do your most intensive studying in the warm bosom of D-level or the Hut, away from the temptations and distractions of home.

The plumbing in most of the row houses in Charles Village is about as old as the area itself. Hot water is not so often a problem as is water pressure. Even if you have two or three bathrooms, it is not always possible to use both and/or the dishwasher at the same time. Another concern is security. Being on street level in an area that is no stranger to burglary, you will find yourself worrying more about how safe your property really is. Most houses are equipped with security systems, but it is still a good idea to take those extra precautions of keeping valuables away from the window and investing in extra locks.

It is a crapshoot as to who your neighbors will be. Odds are it will you find yourself next door to a frat house, family home or another group of students. You will learn their idiosyncrasies in the first couple of months and they will learn yours. You should be able to come to a compromise with your neighbors re: noise, garbage, etc.

Another factor to consider is the distance from campus. If you are able to find a row house, most likely it will be a good three or more blocks away from Homewood. That puts you in prime frat house territory, but it distances you from University goings



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Consider sharing one of the row houses available in the area.

on. Of course, one of the prime motivations for going the row house route is the prospect of making your own fun in your own place.

Life in a row house is halfway between a dorm and living on one's own. Free from the confines of Uni-

versity housing, you can do more things on your own but also have the option of doing things in a group. Most row house residents rate row house living a bit above apartment life and way above life in University apartments or the dorms.

Note to Would-Be Commuters: You Should Never Go Home Again

by John Roy

The Johns Hopkins News-Letter

Living at home. Hwah. What is it good for? Hey, absolutely nothing. Yes, I am one of the few, the proud, the optionless, who has lived at home for the last three years. In that time I have grown quite adept at not being anywhere near my house for the majority of my waking hours. Why, you ask, would I scorn the parental care and love lavished on me at home for the horrors of uncertain sleeping quarters? Well, first of all, I don't sleep that much. Admit it, you don't either. Secondly, you've never met my parents. Not that they're not great and all, I love 'em, they pay my tuition, et cetera and so on, but the hassle of living at home just isn't for me.

We'll start with the positive aspects. Anyone who has never lived at home can supply these easily enough, but someone who has done it for years has had his mind warped by the experience to the point where he can't remember any of the benefits. I worked around this gap in my memory by going up to a still-homesick freshman and saying, "Hi, I live at home," and taking notes on his reactions. "Wow, that must be great," says he, a tear of distant reverie moistening his eye. "That must mean you get fresh cooked meals and your laundry done and your

bed made and apple pie and tucked in at night..." At this point I strangled him, so my list remained incomplete. I figured I had enough anyway.

Yes, if you are Beaver Cleaver going to JHU and your mother hasn't changed her working habits since the golden age of wireless, living at home is the life of the truly wealthy. My mother, however, is a nurse who works ten hour shifts at the hospital and takes dancing lessons in the evening. My father works in Annapolis and goes to sleep at 9 or 10 so he can get up at 5 the next morning. I work until 10 four nights a week and until 7 on Sunday. I really don't even see my parents and they don't see me conscious.

I sense that I digress, and bore my rapt readers with my plaintive personal narrative. Basically what it boils down to is this: living at home is much like living in an apartment except you don't pay for rent unless your parents suck. If you're away as much as I am, you pay for most of your meals anyway, although not as much as if you were on your own. Sleeping is the chief consideration. If you sleep at home you have to go to all your classes, or at least wake up and leave the house to imply that you're attending. I have devised, over the years, a complex plan of nomadic sleeping arrangements which keeps me from looking like too much of a mooch and yet costs

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me nothing. Come, let me share it with you.

The ideal solution, of course, is to become a live-in lover. This is by no means the easiest method of avoiding your house, particularly in a barren wasteland of worthwhile relationships like Hopkins, but it is the most fun. If you find that you are working far too much to have a meaningful relationship, especially one in which you can go to the person's house, immediately fall asleep, wake up and leave without them feeling left out, then you must sponge off your friends. This can be nearly as satisfying if you work it right. Sophomore year I was far more skilled at rotating which house I

crashed at, come 2 a.m., but these days I figure they know me well enough that I can abuse their hospitality with impunity. I come in, eat their food, make small talk, and fall asleep. It's fun, try it.

If you can't manage either of these, you are a very unpopular person. Fear not, there is still hope. Many places on campus offer their services (intentionally or otherwise) as sleeping edifices. The first of these is our beloved HUT. This is a fine multi-bed establishment that is open 24 hours year round except when the President needs to have a party and neither of his houses will do. My chief problems with the HUT involve their strict control of what sort of comestibles are allowed (that is: none, unless you're bigger than them and look menacing), and the fact that the sofas are most comfortable for those of us on the Munchkin side of six feet, which I am not. They're fine for those between- and during-class naps, however.

The Computer lab is a lovely potential snooze locale, but you need to be a bit more stealthy. Prop yourself up so it looks like you're still typing, just having a bit of writer's block. Practice saying "damn this paper" in your sleep for added realism.

Other sleeping arrangements require a modicum of guile, as you need to elude the closing staff until they

leave. Crouch on the toilet in D-level until all the lights go off, then stretch out on the floor in one of those little rooms.

Wander aimlessly around Bloomberg late at night after taping the door to the auditorium catwalk open. If you have the foresight to leave a small mattress and pillow there earlier in the day, this will provide a particularly tranquil resting place, with the bonus thrill that you might sleep bungee-jump. Don't worry about running into anyone in the halls, there isn't anyone there. Besides, those few people that are there have evolved beyond our plane of existence and comprehend only physics. Don't be overtly quantum and you're safe. There are also plenty of handsomely equipped lounge areas in Bloomberg that haven't seen a non-custodial human since their installation, all of which are supplied with an array of excruciatingly comfortable squishy arm chairs.

Be creative. There are lots of big buildings on campus, and no one is particularly careful about making sure everyone has left the building once Elvis has. Many of them are comfortable. Anything to avoid going home, particularly when your parents haven't asked you how school's been going recently, and you know they're about to.

How to Deal With Your Landlord

by News-Letter Staff

While most tenants have little or no trouble dealing with landlords, many have had disputes and disagreements over terms of the lease, security deposits, and property damage, among other things. Fortunately, Baltimore has several organizations that assist tenants in such disputes.

Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc. (BNI) is one such group that gives advice to tenants in the Baltimore area. According to George Laurent of BNI, common complaints involve improper eviction notice, security deposit disagreements, maintenance, and retaliatory eviction. In some cases, they operate by communicating with landlords to mediate a problem. Laurent goes on to say that BNI will "tell tenants their rights if a landlord has failed to do certain things." If necessary, they will advise the tenant

to sue the landlord in small claims court.

Students, particularly those who live out of state, can often be susceptible to problems involving security deposits. Baltimore City has very specific laws regarding security deposits. Tad Kelley of BNI stated, "When they move out, they're probably not aware of the law." If students were well-informed, they could be more assertive about their rights. Some landlords know that people leaving town find it difficult to sue for reimbursement, and take advantage of that.

In addition to Baltimore Neighborhoods, other advocacy groups are available to Baltimore residents. The complaint office of the Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development handles housing code violations, which include maintenance and rodent problems. The state Attorney General's Consumer Protection

Baltimore has several organizations that assist tenants in disputes over lease terms, deposits and property damage.

Division and the city's Eviction Prevention Unit handle legal problems that tenants may face.

Some students have found BNI to be particularly helpful with legal advice. One News-Letter staff member had a problem with a local building when the management sent him a security deposit reimbursement that was not for the full amount and was not sent until two months after he moved out.

After a run-in with management,

the student called BNI, who informed him that after a certain period of time, landlords must return the full amount, regardless of property damage, unless the landlord filed an itemized list of deductions within the required time limit. BNI suggested threatening to take the management to small claims court. The full deposit was sent, with interest, shortly after that threat was sent in writing.

When asked to give advice to students who are looking for their first apartment, BNI's Kelley stated, "Be careful who you live with—make sure it's someone you're confident you'll get along with." He continued, "Make sure you're financially ready for the responsibility of paying the rent." Kelley went on to suggest that students avoid property damage, make sure the neighborhood is safe, carefully check the property, and test the water before signing a lease.

Where to Go for Help

Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc.
319 E. 25th Street
243-6007

- Gives advice and assistance on tenant-landlord problems to all residents of the metropolitan Baltimore area.

Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development, Complaint Office
222 E. Saratoga Street, Room 415
396-4176

- Receives questions and complaints concerning Housing Code violations, including yard and alley maintenance and rodent problems. This is the first step when a tenant needs to enlist the city's help in correcting a Housing Code violation.

Consumer Protection Division (State of Maryland, Office of the Attorney General)
7 N. Calvert Street
528-8662

- Enforces the Maryland Consumer Protection Law. Of particular interest to tenants and landlords is the Division's enforcement authority over landlord-tenant matters as defined by the Consumer Protection Law. Its methods are mediation, arbitration, and litigation.

Eviction Prevention Unit of Baltimore City
District Court Building, Room #101
Fayette & Gay Street
539-2275

- Tenants in eviction proceedings are referred to this Unit by the Court for immediate advice and assistance. The unit coordinates the assistance available from the Department of Social Services, Urban Services Agency, Department of Housing and Community Development, Legal Aid and the State Department and Employment Security.

Small Claims Division of the District Court
District Court Building
Fayette & Gay Street
659-4664

- Anyone may file suit in Small Claims Division without the aid of a lawyer for an amount up to \$1000. The forms and instructions can be obtained in person or by mail (send self-addressed stamped envelope). The forms are easy to fill out.

Be sure to save and bring to court all records of the transaction involved in the suit, such as receipts, leases, letters, photographs, etc.

Source:
Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc.

Points to Consider in the Tenant/Landlord Relationship

1. Examine the property

Carefully examine the room or apartment you are interested in and the property in general. If it is not now in good condition it is not likely to be in the future. Be wary of promises that a place in poor condition will be put in good condition by the time you are to occupy the place.

2. Verbal promises

If the landlord makes any verbal promises to you, ask that these promises be put in a memorandum of understanding so that there is no misunderstanding in the future. If a landlord refuses to do this, then you know that the verbal promise may be meaningless.

3. What do other tenants say?

If possible check with other tenants in the building before you give the landlord a deposit. Ask these kinds of questions: How does the landlord treat them? How does he respond to maintenance requests? Is the building reasonably soundproof? Are his rent increases reasonable?

4. Get receipts

Never give cash without receiving a signed receipt. If you can't read the signature, ask the landlord to print his/her name below the signature.

5. Deposits

Don't give the landlord a deposit or first month's rent unless you are sure you want the place. If you change your mind and the landlord loses rent he may be able to hold you responsible for it. Don't rent a place unless you have seen it.

6. What is your status?

Be sure you know whether you are a roomer or a tenant and the implications of each classification. A roomer is someone who is primarily rents a single room. You may have reasonable access to a bathroom and the kitchen but not to all parts of the house. In Baltimore City by law a roomer must be given at least 30-day written notice if the owner wants a roomer to leave or wants to raise the rent. Elsewhere the various District Courts have different requirements for the length of notice, and you should call the Clerk of the local District Court to find out what the local requirement is.

A tenant is someone who rents an apartment or house. In Baltimore, a tenant who rents on a weekly or monthly basis or who has a year's lease must be given a written notice at least 60 days before the end of the tenancy if the landlord wants to change the terms of the tenancy or terminate the tenancy. The tenant would give a 30-day written notice before the end of the tenancy if he/she wants to leave, unless the lease specifies otherwise.

Elsewhere in Maryland, state law requires the landlord to give at least one week's written notice if it is a weekly tenancy and a month's written notice if it is a monthly or yearly tenancy. (Some District Courts require a month's notice for a weekly tenancy. Call the Clerk of the local District Court to find out what the local requirement is.) A tenant is required to give a reasonable notice which in practice should be what the landlord has to give.

If you equally share a whole house or apartment with someone and pay half the rent, then you are a tenant and not a roomer.

7. Written lease

If the landlord uses a written lease, be sure to read the lease carefully and be sure

you understand it before you sign it. Be aware of the significance of an automatic renewal clause which is in many leases. If the landlord does not use a written lease, you should ask and take notes about the time and place of rent payments and your rights and responsibilities and the landlord's rights and responsibilities.

8. Utility payments

It is a risky situation to have the utilities for a house in your name with you having responsibility of collecting money from other tenants for their share of the bill. A landlord is in much better situation to collect utility payments.

9. Repairs needed

A landlord should present a tenant with a clean and decent place to live which should be in compliance with the local housing code. If a landlord refuses to make repairs should call the agency responsible for enforcing the code. Your local county government can give you the number you need (Baltimore County 887-3650, Baltimore City 396-4176). If the lack of needed repairs could endanger the tenant, he/she can put the rent in escrow. (Call BNI for information.)

10. Tenant responsibilities

The tenant should pay the rent on time and treat the landlord's property with care. Unless there is a stated grace period, the landlord can file suit in rent court against a tenant if the tenant is one day late in paying the rent (late charges are limited to 5% of monthly rent; \$3.00 for weekly rent). The landlord can hold the tenant responsible for any damage caused to the property by the tenant.

11. Broken lease

If a tenant breaks a lease, the landlord can hold the tenant responsible for any

reasonable loss incurred by the landlord; cost of re-advertising the property, damage of property, loss of rent (limited to two months rent in Baltimore City). This is true whether the tenant leaves of his/her own accord or is asked to leave by the landlord/court because the tenant is in breach of lease. (Call BNI for a review of the situation.)

12. How the court helps a landlord

A landlord may not take the law into his/her own hands but must go through the court system for past due rent, alleged breach or lease, or when a tenant stays in the property after the lease is over, etc.

13. Security deposits

Maryland has a strong security deposit law. The security deposit required is usually equal to one month's rent. It cannot be more than two month's rent. For deposits of \$50 or more, interest is to be paid at the end of the tenancy at the rate of 2% for every 6 month period that the landlord has had the deposit. The landlord can charge the security deposit for lost rent, physical damage to the property beyond ordinary wear and tear, etc.

14. Discriminating in housing

State and federal and local laws prohibit discrimination in housing based on race, religion, color, national origin, sex, mental or physical handicap, marital status, and against families with children, and, in Baltimore City, sexual orientation. Call BNI for information or help.

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